

Ehrlich sees gov't in 12 days

By SELOMO MAOZ
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Simha Ehrlich said in Jerusalem last night that the Likud will form a government within 12 days and could, if it wanted, form a coalition as early as next Monday.

Ehrlich, leader of the Liberal wing of Likud, said the bloc will not present its cabinet on Monday since it prefers a wide parliamentary basis which means continued negotiations with the DMC.

He also said that he does not believe U.S. President Jimmy Carter changed his stance on a Middle East solution after last month's Likud election victory. Carter had decided to adopt his present line after Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin's visit to the U.S., before the elections, Ehrlich said.

Addressing the national conference of insurance salesmen at the Jerusalem Hilton, Ehrlich, expected to be the next finance minister, said

It appears from Bank of Israel Governor Arnon Gafny's statement that the governor supports the Likud's fiscal policy.

Discussing the Likud's economic programme, Ehrlich said it aims to cut the annual inflation rate to 10-15 per cent within two or three years. Ehrlich stressed that the Likud is not looking for a fight with the Histadrut, adding that it would not hesitate to oppose some of its supporters in its effort to wipe out social discrimination.

Likud, DMC try to bridge gap over Judea/Samaria

By JOSHUA BRILLIANT
Post Political Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Likud and the Democratic Movement for Change today will try to bridge their differences on settlement in Judea and Samaria and on whether to cede territory there.

Members of the Likud's negotiating team told The Jerusalem Post they expected these points to be the toughest issues in this morning's discussion on the DMC's proposal for cabinet guidelines.

In parallel coalition negotiations, the Likud and Agudat Yisrael drafted the agreement on religious affairs which will be brought before the Council of Sages today or Sunday. The council is to decide whether Agudat Yisrael will support a Likud-led government. Aguda has four members in the new Knesset.

Should the Council of Sages decide in favour of joining the coalition, Prime Minister-designate Begin will present his cabinet to the Knesset in the latter part of next week or on Monday, June 20 — one day before the Histadrut elections. But the Likud will not be satisfied with an Aguda decision to abstain on the vote of confidence, and not vote for the Government.

Technically, this coalition will have outvoted the opposition, but a senior Likud source said his bloc had decided not to present a minority government. So in that case the Likud would have to continue its talks with the DMC.

It is not clear whether the Likud and the DMC can come to an early agreement. "I don't know whether the DMC really insists on all the points it raised or whether it introduced some clauses as a ploy in the forthcoming negotiations," one

Likud leader said yesterday. "But as it stands, the proposals seem quite difficult to swallow," he added.

Begin yesterday suggested the Likud's negotiating team present a new counter-proposal to the DMC. But the Liberals opposed his suggestion and the participants agreed "to argue with the DMC about its proposals." One participant in yesterday's consultations said all factions agreed to this decision.

The main obstacle appeared to be the DMC's demand that settlement in the administered territories, except in the Jordan Valley and the Pith-Rafiah area, shall require prior approval by the "authorized representatives of all the parties participating in the government."

This means the DMC could veto any settlement proposal. Likud leaders do not want to give the DMC that power.

Participants told The Post Begin today is expected to suggest that a settlement committee discuss proposed sites and other related issues. They said Begin will undertake to try and reach a consensus — but if no agreement is reached, he will insist that the issue be decided by a majority vote.

The other major stumbling block is the DMC's proposal that Israel declare its "red lines" for a "territorial compromise" in exchange for a full contractual peace.

The Likud leaders are ready to cede territory in Sinai and the Golan, but not in Judea and Samaria. A reference in the Basic Principles of the new government to UN Security Council resolutions 242 and 338, which call for an Israeli withdrawal from "territories" occupied in the Six-Day War, may satisfy the DMC.

Likud leaders decided to ask the

DMC to agree to drop the reference to Israel as a "free and democratic Jewish state."

Likud leaders interpret this clause as implying that Israel will not annex the West Bank because the Arabs would eventually become a majority, and Israel would then have to choose between giving them the right to vote or losing its Jewish identity.

"We're going to ask them: must we declare now that Israel will be a democratic, independent Jewish state? What does it give you? If such a statement is necessary — it's because of the demographic issue," a Likud leader said.

Earlier yesterday the Likud and Agudat Yisrael leaders met to approve the draft agreement worked out by a sub-committee consisting of MKs Yitzhak Shamir, Eliezer Shalek, Avraham Shafir and Hillel Seidel, of the Likud; and Menahem Porush and Shlomo Gross, of Agudat Yisrael.

Agudat Yisrael asked for a virtual veto on issuing permits for Sabbath work. Its leaders suggested that permits be given only with the consent of the Halaicah Technological Institute headed by Prof. Ze'ev Lev.

But the Liberals' Shafir and Ahnuk's Seidel opposed the demand. With respect to the amendment of the Law of Return, so that only conversion "according to Halacha" would be recognized, Begin noted that there are conflicting views on this issue in the Likud.

Likud MK's would have freedom in their vote on this issue in the Knesset. Therefore, Begin could undertake to amend the law. But he pledged to try to win a parliamentary majority for the amendment.

Begin won't chill ties with Bonn

By ASHER WALLFISH
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Relations with West Germany will remain as close and as cordial as they are today, Prime Minister-designate Menachem Begin assures his past and Chancellor Helmut Schmidt's planned visit here in December.

Diplomats from more than one country serving here, as well as informed sources in the Likud, told The Jerusalem Post last night that Begin already had a friendly conversation with a high-ranking German diplomat this year. When Schmidt comes, in response to an invitation from Premier Yitzhak Rabin, Begin will receive him cordially and show him the usual courtesies — just as though his fierce, generation-long opposition to ties with Germany was irrelevant to a statesman in office. The Post understood.

Likud men have already assured German diplomats that it will be

business as usual under a Likud government. When Ambassador Per Fischer phoned Likud leader Simha Ehrlich about the elections to congratulate him as a personal friend, Ehrlich assured Fischer that there is no cause to worry about a chill in relations. Ezer Weisman, defence minister-designate, told German personalities the same thing. So did Dr. Eliahu Ben-Eliassir, the Likud's chief information officer.

Fischer flew to Bonn this week for a three-day visit. His press secretary, Dr. Sigismund Eisenstadt, said last night that the ambassador's visit was routine and that Fischer had not been to Bonn for some six months.

It is assumed that Fischer went, among other reasons, to give his analysis of the election and to assuage any apprehension in Bonn that relations might not be as cordial as ever.

Journalists sent here to cover the election requested and were denied exclusive interviews with Begin. However, Begin did not object to German newsmen covering his briefings.

In the spring, Begin had a friendly tete-a-tete with the then Number Two man at the German Embassy, Dr. Helmut Rueckriegel, first counsellor, who has since completed his tour of duty here. The talks took place at a reception tendered by U.S. diplomats, who had invited Begin and asked him beforehand whether he would be disturbed if he were introduced to the West German. Begin said he would willingly show Rueckriegel the courtesies.

A Likud source told The Post last night: "Begin has met Germans before and he'll meet them again; don't worry. A lot of water will flow down the Rhine by Christmas time and a lot of so-called problems will from themselves out."

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The prize winners of our election contest will be announced tomorrow, Friday, June 10, 1977.

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'Doomsday doodlebug'

OTTAWA (Reuters). — Eight Nato defence ministers yesterday opened two days of private talks on providing the 16-nation alliance with what one minister called a "credible deterrent" to the latest Soviet nuclear-tipped ballistic missiles.

The talks will focus on the deadly American Cruise missile as a possible Nato weapon in Europe. Known as the "doomsday doodlebug," the plotless Cruise missile is virtually undetectable by an enemy, can carry a big nuclear warhead and has pinpoint accuracy.

It can be launched from planes, submarines, surface ships and even from the back of a light tank.

Last November the ministers, members of Nato's nuclear planning group, would use its nuclear weapons in a war, ordered a study on deploying the Cruise missile in Europe in response to the development by the Soviet Union of five new nuclear-tipped ballistic missiles, all with multiple warheads.

Canadian Defence Minister Barney Danson, host for the meeting, said in an interview the ministers would now carry the Cruise studies forward.

"We would be negligent if we allowed the (Soviet) build-up to continue without countering with a credible deterrent," he added.

Stone sees Sadat



El Al's Haya Rotenberg flies to Johannesburg tonight to represent Israel in the "World's Most Beautiful Stewardess" contest. Israel took first prize in 1974 and second prize last year. (Israel Sun)

Atherton: Refugees from Arab lands deserve recompense

By WOLF BLITZER
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

WASHINGTON. — Assistant Secretary of State Alfred Atherton yesterday suggested that it would be "perfectly reasonable" for Israel to seek compensation from the Arab states for the property left behind by Jewish refugees who came to Israel after 1948.

Testifying before the House International Relations sub-committee on the Near East, Atherton stressed that this was only his "personal opinion" and did not represent the official policy of the U.S. Government, which has not yet addressed itself to this issue.

Answering questions on the Middle East, Atherton expressed hope that the Geneva Middle East peace conference could still be reconvened later this year following a visit to Washington by Prime Minister Menachem Begin and a return trip through the Middle East by Secretary of State Vance.

In this opening statement, Atherton said American efforts "to serve as a catalyst" in reaching an Arab-Israeli settlement "are firmly rooted" in resolutions 242 and 338 "and in the conviction that a settlement must include an agreed solution of the Palestinian problem if it is to be just and lasting."

Atherton said the U.S. believes

Israel's acceptance of resolution 242 requires at least a partial withdrawal from the West Bank. But he pointed out that the U.S. has never accepted the Arab and Soviet interpretation of that resolution, which calls for a total return to the pre-1967 lines.

Atherton insisted that it would not be helpful to the peace process to speculate about Begin's policies. No new Israeli government has yet been formed.

But representative Steven Solarz (D-NY), a leading supporter of Israel, hailed Begin as "one of the most gracious and gallant leaders in Israel." He said Begin was a "great patriot and democrat totally committed to the democratic process — a man of historic stature," who led one of the "most effective liberation movements of modern times."

With respect to U.S. pressure on Israel to make concessions, Atherton denied that the U.S. would impose a settlement. He could not envisage America's doing anything that might prove detrimental to Israel's security and survival.

At the same time, he said that no settlement will be lasting without a majority of the Palestinians accepting the agreements formulation of the Palestinian homeland, but he declined to specify what shape that homeland might take or where it should be located.

Peres displeased with UN Sinai supervision

By HIRSH GOODMAN
Post Military Correspondent

Defence Minister Shimon Peres indicated at a meeting yesterday with Chief Coordinator of the UN Peace-Keeping Missions in the Middle East, General Ennio Silasvuo, that he was not satisfied that the UN was doing all it could to ensure that the terms of the interim agreement with Egypt in the Sinai were being adhered to.

In an unusually detailed official statement released from his Tel Aviv office last night, the Defence Minister said that the Egyptians were not keeping faith with the terms of the agreement. He added that he wanted to be "absolutely certain that the UN was taking pains to supervise the execution of the agreement, and the situation in the (limited force) zone."

Peres asked to meet Silasvuo — apparently wanting to be briefed on the Egyptians' attitude to three complaints lodged by Israel in the past two weeks.

(The Army spokesman yesterday finally confirmed recent reports that

the Egyptians have 15 unauthorized Strela shoulder-fired anti-aircraft missiles and 354 additional men in the limited force zone over and above the 8,000-man limit.)

General Silasvuo met with Egyptian Defence Minister General Mohammed Ghamasy last weekend and discussed Israel's repeated complaints that the Egyptians had too many men in the zone.

While no details of yesterday's meeting between Peres and Silasvuo could be obtained, observers noted the unusually terse wording of the Israeli statement. Apparently Israel is getting increasingly frustrated by the Egyptian intransigence which, while not constituting a military threat, run contrary to the "good spirit" in which the interim agreement was signed.

A UN official questioned yesterday claimed that it was "very difficult" to keep close tabs on exactly how many men either side had stationed in an area of many hundreds of square kilometres. He said that in his opinion UNEF was doing an admirable job, and indicated that he felt Israel was over-reacting.

Doctors oppose changes in law on autopsies

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Tel Aviv. — The Medical Association has demanded that no changes be made in the present Anatomy and Pathology Law.

In a letter to Prime Minister-designate Menachem Begin, the chairman of the IMA, Dr. Ramli Yishay, said he has heard that the new government intend the law so that the family's objections will override medical considerations in regard to performing an autopsy.

Dr. Yishay pointed out that, even the National Religious Party, during the many years it was in the coalition, never made such a demand,

although "certain matters" were "discussed" between this party and the IMA, generally to mutual satisfaction.

Under the present law, Dr. Yishay wrote, "everything possible is done to regard with sympathy and understanding" any request by a family which objects to an autopsy. However, in the final analysis, under the present law, it is up to the doctors dealing with the case to make the final decision, he added.

"The level of Israel's medicine depends on the extent to which the medical profession is allowed to perform autopsies in certain cases, even over the objections of the family," he said.

Social workers to fight changes in Abortion Law

By MARSHA POMERANTZ
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Social Workers Union will fight any attempt to amend the Abortion Law by eliminating the clause on the "social conditions of the mother" as one of the grounds for approving abortions.

The message was contained in a letter from the union to Likud leaders on Tuesday night, following announcements in the press that the Likud would support repeal of the controversial "social" clause in the law in order to coax Agudat Yisrael into a coalition.

"The current law is a response to the needs of the underprivileged," Yitzhak Kadman, head of the union, told The Jerusalem Post last night.

Unofficial statistics indicate that about 80 per cent of the requests for abortions that reach the professional committees for consideration are argued on the basis of the mother's difficult social condition, Kadman said in the letter.

At a meeting with the Likud on Monday, to discuss the proposed Ministry for Social Betterment, the union leaders gave a preview of their stand on the amendment of the Abortion Law, after hearing rumours about its fate in coalition negotiations. Kadman said they were assured that the law would not be compromised, since many Knesset Members of the Likud's Liberal wing had voted for it last January.

Hostages till Amin returns Uganda bars Britons' exit

NAIROBI (AP). — Uganda's British residents will be barred from leaving the East African country — Radio Uganda announced yesterday. The move was evidently in retaliation for Britain's efforts to keep Ugandan ruler Idi Amin from attending the Commonwealth Conference in London.

The official radio, quoting a spokesman for Vice-President Mustafa Adria, said a decision on the "plight" of the British would have to await Amin's return from the summit. Adria was quoted as saying that troops had been told to watch for Britons "slipping through minor outlets."

The summit opened with the Ugandan east conspicuously empty and with the exact whereabouts of Amin, reportedly on his way to London, still a mystery.

Idi Osman, Amin's spokesman in London, said the Ugandan president was still planning to attend the Commonwealth summit which opened yesterday. He added: "He will be arriving within the week."

Osman, speaking in his office on the fifth floor of the Saudi Arabian Embassy, declined to tell reporters where Amin was. But he said that when — and if — Amin comes to London "he will come in openly and not by the back door. If President Amin comes, he will arrive in his presidential jet and not on a scheduled flight."

Meanwhile, Radio Uganda maintained that Amin, apparently aboard a military plane borrowed from Libya, had stopped over in an Arab country, probably Libya, and planned to travel by air, sea and land to arrive in London later yesterday or today.

The report prompted a series of rumours and reports across Europe on Tuesday — some confirmed — that Amin was airborne over the continent and looking for a place to land.

There was also speculation that Ugandan Radio reports of Amin's departure were all a hoax to disrupt the Commonwealth summit and the silver jubilee celebrations of Queen Elizabeth's 25 years on the throne.

Asked about the radio report of the bar to the exit of the estimated 300 Britons in Uganda, British Prime Minister James Callaghan said yesterday that he is "keeping cool."

As the Prime Minister left the

afternoon session of the Commonwealth Conference, he said, "I do not take these reports very seriously and I wish you would not either. There are so many reports coming out of Kampala."

"Why don't we all keep cool about this and not give President Amin the chance to think he is putting the wind up us (worrying us)?" Callaghan said.

"He may have put the wind up you but he has not put the wind up me," he added.

The restriction on the Britons — mostly missionaries — was the latest in a bizarre series of claims, threats and rumours surrounding the dictator's pledge to crash the meeting despite the opposition of other Commonwealth leaders to his presence.

The latest move recalled a similar ban imposed on about 240 U.S. nationals in Uganda five months ago, after President Carter declared that reports of mass arrests and killings in Uganda had "degraded the entire civilized world." That ban was lifted four days.

New reports continued to crop up yesterday:

* A Ugandan official who answered the telephone at Amin's command post at Entebbe, Uganda, said he had heard on Radio Uganda that Amin was already in London. The English-language broadcast made no such claim, but the radio also broadcasts in several African languages.

* A Norwegian reporter who telephoned the Ugandan capital of Kampala was told by a spokesman for Amin that the president was sailing for Britain on a ship and would call home when he arrived in London.

It remained unclear what Britain would do if Amin did arrive. Callaghan recently wrote Amin that it would be "inappropriate" for him to attend, and government sources said he would be prevented from entering.

Uganda is a member of the Commonwealth and the British have been careful not to say Amin has been barred from the summit, a decision that the entire organization would have to take.

Opposition to letting Amin attend the summit mounted after the deaths of Anglican Archbishop Janani Lumum and two government ministers in Uganda last winter, allegedly at the hands of Amin's troops.

Syrian FM in Beirut

BEIRUT (Reuters). — Syrian Foreign Minister Abdel-Halim Khaddam had more than seven hours of talks with Lebanese leaders yesterday on his first visit here in 15 months.

He told newsmen as he left the palace of President Elias Sarkis that the Cairo agreement, regulating the presence of armed Palestinians in Lebanon, would be carried out shortly.

The return of Khaddam to the Lebanese scene underlines a growing stress on Syria's political role here, which has been eclipsed for the past year by its military involvement.

Khaddam said he and Sarkis dis-

cussed all matters of concern to the two countries. These include the troubled south of Lebanon, stability in the rest of the country, the role of the Palestinians, and political reconciliation among the opposing factions of the civil war.

The Syrian minister said he found Sarkis determined to go on working to strengthen peace and security in Lebanon, which was wracked by 13 months of murderous civil war.

The Jerusalem Post reporter adds that a Lebanese civilian was killed and five others were wounded yesterday in a renewed bout of artillery duels between rightist forces and terrorists in southern Lebanon.

Fahmy flies to Moscow

MOSCOW (Reuters). — Egyptian Foreign Minister Ismail Fahmy arrived in Moscow last night for talks aimed at taking some of the bitterness out of relations between the Soviet Union and Egypt.

The 55-year-old minister was met at the airport by Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko, with whom he will hold two days of official consultations.

His meeting with Gromyko will be the first in eight months, and his first visit to Moscow since President Anwar Sadat tore up a friendship treaty with the Soviet Union 15 months ago.

Fahmy said his talks with Gromyko, which are at the Kremlin's initiative, would be a con-

tinuation of their meeting in Sofia, Bulgaria, last October which apparently ended in failure.

The two men are expected to discuss the main issues that led to the rift between their countries. According to Cairo, these are Soviet refusal to reach a deal on several billion dollars worth of military debts and to compensate Egypt for arms losses suffered in the 1973 Yom Kippur War.

Fahmy, in a statement before leaving, said the chain of contacts with Moscow would continue "and we hope that we will make positive achievements to promote relations." The meeting is expected to be followed by another round in Cairo at a date yet to be fixed.

American Jews parade...

...for Israel this week. Correspondent Wolf Blitzer reports on the mood in the U.S. in the aftermath of the Israel elections.



Up in the air at Le Bourget. Jack Maurice reports from Paris on Israel's aeronautical achievements.

Conflict in Zichron Ya'akov. Barbara Sofer describes the continuing dispute between local residents and the German Christian settlers.

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Tel Aviv	61/32	29/29
B.C. Airport	52/32	29/29
Jericho	35/17	28/26
Gaza	69/38	28/26
Ber Sheva	37/19	28/26
Eilat	16/21	30/30
Tiran Straits	30/24	35/35

SOCIAL & PERSONAL

President Ephraim Katzir received yesterday Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mendel of Florida.

The Tel Aviv-Jaffa Rotary will meet today at 1:15 p.m. in ZOA House. Rehavem Amir, chief of protocol at the Foreign Ministry, will speak on "How Protocol Serves the Quality of Life."

Dr. Bebe Patten, one of the world's leading women ministers and known to thousands of California listeners as the "Shepherdess of the Air" on Tuesday attended the dedication of the Paula Ben-Gurion Forest near Kibbutz Lahav as a guest of the Jewish National Fund.

Edwin Link, the famous explorer and mini-sub designer, will lecture, with film, on "Research Submarines in Oceanography and Archaeology" at the National Maritime Museum, 198 Allenby Road, on Sunday, June 12th at 8 p.m. Entrance free.

Bracha Eden and Alexander Tamir, of the faculty of the Rubin Academy of Music, Jerusalem, together with the Chamber Choir of the Academy conducted by Stanley Sperber, will present music of Mozart, Stravinsky, Brahms, Rossini, and a selection of choral music a capella tonight at 7:30 in the Academy's auditorium. The public is invited.

ARRIVALS

Dr. Hertha Firnberg, the Austrian Minister of Science and Research, for a five-day visit as guest of Aharon Yadin, Minister of Education and Culture.

Seventh fallen soldier identified

Post Military Correspondent
Another soldier who fell in the Yom Kippur War and whose body was returned by the Egyptians in April has been identified. He is Samal David Gur-On of Jerusalem who fell near the town of Kantara on the Suez Canal.

David Gur-On, who served with the Armoured Corps, will be buried at the Mount Herzl Military Cemetery in Jerusalem on Friday at 11 a.m.

Seven of the nine bodies returned by the Egyptians on April 19 have been identified so far.

Dayan supported by bereaved

Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV. — Members of families who lost children in the Yom Kippur War called on Prime Minister-designate Menachem Begin yesterday to express their support for his decision to appoint Moshe Dayan as Foreign Minister.

The six representatives of bereaved families told Mr. Begin they accepted his assurances that Dayan's appointment would benefit the state.

They also said they opposed mixing bereavement and politics, and expressed their opposition to anti-Dayan protests by other bereaved families last week.

PARKING OF CARS in Rebov Herzl, Tel Aviv, will be prohibited starting next Monday. The city has opened a parking lot in the area for the convenience of shoppers.

Controllers put affairs in hands of Histadrut

By ZE'EV SCHUL
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Although the 30 suspended civil air controllers yesterday expressed willingness to return to work by agreeing to let the Histadrut act in their behalf in the dispute, they were kept away from the airports by an indefinite extension of their suspension.

The 34-day suspension officially ends today, but it was extended for an unlimited period on orders of the director-general of the Ministry of Transport, Ehud Shilo. These new orders, issued late yesterday, keep the military flight controllers on duty at the country's airports.

Haim Dovev, a member of the civil flight controllers staff committee, told *The Jerusalem Post* that the committee had been approached by an intermediary, acting on behalf of the Histadrut's secretary-general Yehoram Meshel. He "agreed to entrust our affairs to the good offices of the Histadrut, and to an unconditional return to work," Dovev said.

He explained further: "We accepted his offer to intercede on our behalf (with the government to revoke the various suspension and back-to-work orders) and negotiate our claims for better representation on the civil aviation staff committee, as well as outstanding professional issues, within the next 30 days."

One complication in resolving the dispute centered on the fact that Naphtali Ben-Moshe, the official Histadrut arbitrator, was unaware of Meshel's latest initiative. In addition, the air controllers were scheduled to hold a general staff meeting last night to formulate a reaction to the latest Histadrut offer and the extension of their suspension.

It was explained that the suspension was extended because the civil air controllers violated the law by disregarding back-to-work orders. The controllers were originally suspended after delaying flight schedules to protest what they termed unsafe conditions at Ben-Gurion Airport.

Ellison's \$30,000 went to my sister, says Yadin

By ARTHUR KEMELMAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Asher Yadin, former Kibbutz Holim head, has told police that the \$30,000 bribe he allegedly received for hiring a Solei Boneh subsidiary instead of his sister, Sarah Haim, sources told *The Jerusalem Post* yesterday.

Yadin, convicted in February of other charges of bribery and of tax evasion, is serving five years at Ramle Prison. His sister was also convicted of bribery and received a six-month suspended sentence and a \$15,000 fine.

According to the original charge sheet, Yadin, as head of Kupat Holim, received \$30,000 from Mordechai Ellison, former general manager of a Solei Boneh subsidiary. The money which was allegedly passed on to Yadin by his sister was to induce the sick fund to engage another Solei Boneh subsidiary, Amli.

Prior to Yadin's trial, it was agreed that the \$30,000 bribe charge would be separated from the other charges and that Yadin would testify later about the matter.

Yadin has been talking to police for the past two weeks about the \$30,000. It is expected that members of the fraud squad will soon begin investigating his explanations. These findings will then be turned over to the attorney general to decide whether Yadin will face additional charges.

Sources close to Yadin said he told police that the \$30,000 which his sister received from Ellison was for her personal use and was not passed on to him. The money was given to her in September 1973, the sources said, adding that Yadin didn't know about his sister's involvement until October or November.

The sources said there had been other financial transactions between Yadin and Ellison which may have involved political considerations. At the time of his trial, Yadin maintained that he was responsible for funneling millions of pounds to Labour Party coffers. It has also been reported that the \$30,000 went to the party.

Purchasing mission officer gets 3 years and fine for bribery

TEL AVIV (Itim). — A military court yesterday sentenced Dov Ze'evi, a former Israel army major and member of the Israel military purchasing mission in the United States, to three years in jail and a fine of \$143,000.

Ze'evi, 54, pleaded guilty to accepting \$15,000 in bribes from the New York firm of Arditi Export Company, which sold spare parts to the Defence Ministry on behalf of a number of American manufacturers.

Ze'evi was also found guilty of violating the foreign currency regulations by holding \$30,000 in an American bank account without reporting it to the Treasury.

The defendant was also stripped of his army rank and given an additional two-year suspended sentence. Military prosecutor Rav Seren Amnoot Stershtov said that Ze'evi's case was the most serious in Israel's military history.

Ze'evi's lawyer claimed that the accused was naive and had been caught in a web woven by Yitzhak Arditi.

The judges, in passing the sentence, maintained Ze'evi had not made just a single slip, but had taken bribes over a two-year period.

Engineer jailed for bribe-taking

TEL AVIV (Itim). — The Housing Ministry's suspended chief electric engineer, Marlon Nadler, was sentenced yesterday to 15 months' imprisonment for taking bribes in 1971 from a firm that did electrical work for the ministry.

Nadler, 41, was found guilty of receiving bribes from Shmuel Nadler (no relation), owner of the General Electric Engineering company who was sentenced to three months in jail for giving the bribes. The court found that two solar-energy water heaters installed on

Marion Nadler's roof were paid for by the electric contracting firm, but the bribe was allegedly given by Shmuel Nadler's partner who is now deceased.

But in another instance the court established that when Marlon Nadler's wife bought an Opel Kadett car in 1971, Shmuel Nadler paid \$110,000 towards the purchase price.

Marlon Nadler was not charged with fraud. Judge Hadassa Ben-Itzhak criticized the prosecution for the "slovenly" way it presented its case.

Row over lower commission to agents

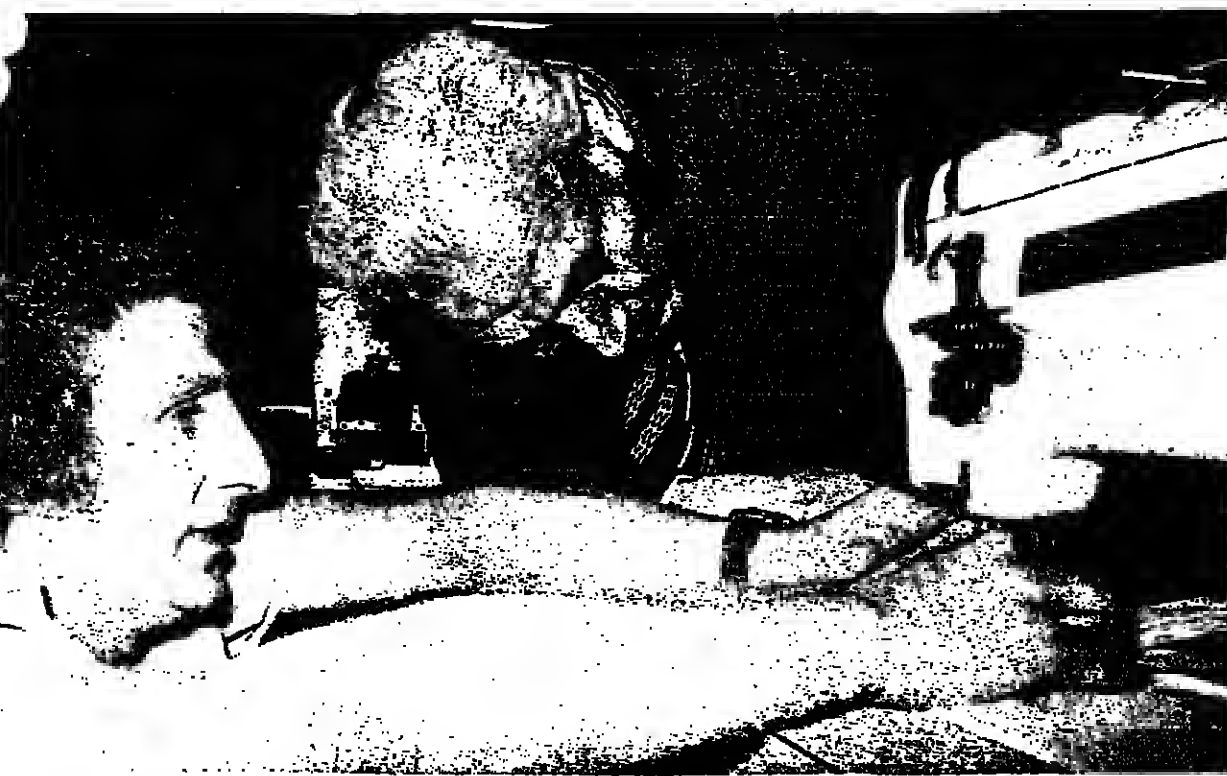
By YITZHAK OKED
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Tel Aviv Chamber of Commerce may take legal action against Zvi Alon, head of the purchasing authority in the Defence Ministry, Avner Ben-Yakar, head of the Chamber, said yesterday.

The dispute between the Chamber and Alon centres on the commissions charged by local agents of foreign firms dealing with the Ministry. The Chamber has been helping the agents oppose the Ministry decision

to lower the agents' commission. Alon reportedly angered some agents by writing letters to others and praising them for agreeing to reduce their commissions. In those letters Alon reportedly said some agents were not cooperating and that he would inform their parent companies about the conflict. The Chamber claims that Alon accused some agents of harming the state.

A SHARIA MOSLEM Court to serve the Beduin population of the south was inaugurated yesterday in the presence of Justice Minister Haim Zadok. The court will serve some 30,000 Beduin who since the establishment of the state had to travel to Jaffa to air cases before a religious court.



President Ephraim Katzir inspecting sewing machine yesterday at the Technology 77 show at the Tel Aviv Fair Grounds. (Notim)

A heavy loaf of bread

BEN-GURION AIRPORT. — A 40-year-old Asbdod resident arrived here yesterday afternoon after a trip abroad and joined the "red line" designed for travellers who voluntarily declare that they have brought in taxable goods. The man declared a telephone and several bed sheets. The customs official checked the suitcase, found only the two declared items, and then asked the traveller to open his hand luggage. To the official's surprise, there was a loaf of bread there — and it was rather heavy.

"I'm hungry too," he muttered, and broke the loaf in half. Inside were expensive electronic watches worth tens of thousands of Israeli pounds. It transpired that the traveller had cut the bread open, removed the centre, filled the cavity with watches, and then glued it together.

The traveller is reported to have said to the customs official: "Oy, I forgot all about the watches. I put them in the bread because I was afraid someone might try to rob me."

An investigation of the man's hand luggage revealed additional, very expensive, men's and women's wristwatches, bringing the total of confiscated watches to 68. A considerable sum of Israeli currency was also found. (Itim)

Parents to get discounts for school supplies

By LEA LEVAVI
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — A discount of about 20 per cent on most school supplies will be available to parents' associations which make bulk purchases at Hamasbbit Hamerkazi store, it was announced here yesterday. This is one of the many ways in which the National Parents' Association is trying to help parents meet the rising costs of school supplies.

The 20 per cent saving on notebooks, on which there are price controls, will be used for school improvements to help buy supplies for needy pupils. It will not go to the parents.

The agreement was reached to avoid a possible confrontation with retailers. The National Parents' Association feels that in the long run it will be a saving for parents because it will reduce the amount which is collected from them for "school improvement funds."

Parents' associations wanting to take advantage of this arrangement can submit orders to be paid for approximately a month later. The orders will be prepared, but will not be sent until the money is received. This was a compromise between the stores' demand for cash payments and the parents' request for credit. Those ordering for an individual class must pay when submitting the order and must pick up the merchandise themselves, since small quantities cannot be delivered.

It was suggested that a standard school packet be prepared by Hamasbbit, including everything a child needs for school. The parents will approach the Histadrut Teachers' Union to see if agreement can be reached on what every child must bring to school.

Other parents' money-saving ideas include a 10 per cent discount from booksellers on most textbooks, if 15 or more are purchased at one time.

DMC hints it may link up with Labour in Histadrut

By ZE'EV SCHUL
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Implying that the Democratic Movement for Change might yet go into a coalition with the Labour Alignment in the Histadrut Executive, DMC election committee chairman Yisrael Granit said yesterday that his party would not see any contradiction in participating in a coalition of one kind in the Government — and of another in the Histadrut. The party would above all "remain true to itself," he told reporters.

The DMC's platform for the Histadrut elections on June 21 was spelled out by David Golomb. On wage scales, he said his party would root for pay commensurate with output and effort; it would advocate the abolishment of sectoral wage scales.

As to essential services, workers there should be hired on special contract and would have to forgo the right to strike. In services, where denial of the right to strike was inapplicable, workers would be asked instead to subject themselves to compulsory arbitration. Golomb said.

The DMC's Akiva Nof proposed separation of the Histadrut's trade-union division from its economic activities (Hevrat Ovdim) as well as a total exclusion of politics from Histadrut businesses. He said the DMC would propose to the Histadrut plenum that executive members of Hevrat Ovdim not be recruited from the membership of any Histadrut executive body — including the Central Committee and its trade union functionaries.

In reply to questions, Granit told reporters that in view of the "political uncertainties" prevailing at this stage of the Histadrut election campaign, the party had preferred not to outline its "minimum demands" on potential coalition partners. It had therefore also not fielded any candidate for the post of secretary general.

Meanwhile, the Alignment is to launch its Histadrut campaigning by bringing Foreign Minister Yigal Alon to Holon tomorrow for the first in a series of planned "baby-kissing" circuits. Alon will spend the entire day touring the city and addressing Histadrut members wherever they can be rounded up in sufficient numbers. Defence Minister Shimon Peres and other Alignment notables will join the circuits over the weekend.



GOODBYE GAVEL. — Retiring Speaker Yeshayahu receives a gavel from the Knesset press corps presented by The Post's Asher Wallfish. (Ben-Ami)

'The banging of your gavel was pleasing to our ears'

By ASHER WALLFISH
Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

Knesset Speaker Yisrael Yeshayahu said yesterday that if the Ninth Knesset, which convenes for the first time next Monday, wants to achieve a better parliamentary image than its predecessors, it will have to improve and reform various procedures.

At a luncheon to take leave of the parliamentary press corps, Yeshayahu said members tend to talk too long and repetitively. They spend too much time on motions for the agenda and they table too many parliamentary questions.

"The Knesset must not only do good work; it must also be seen to do so. If the Knesset is decorous and impressive inside its own four walls, there will be no disparagement from without," he said.

He said he had tried over the years to effect reforms along these and other lines, but had been blocked by the conservatism of the parties. Yeshayahu described the fact that he was not included in the Alignment list for the new Knesset as "an unfortunate incident." He was "ejected" while he still had a great deal to contribute, he complained. "For the past few months Labour was a party divided against itself. Everyone was plotting against everyone else. Everyone who knew how to use his elbows did so. My party got itself into a mess, but God will forgive it!" he said.

He said it was the first time in the history of the Knesset that the president had written a letter to the speaker notifying him that he had changed a Member of Knesset (Menachem Begin) to form a government before the new Knesset was in session. In the past it always took

much longer before the president reached this stage, he said.

The parliamentary press corps presented Yeshayahu with a farewell gift — a speaker's gavel and stand, in olive wood, with an inscription reading "The banging of your gavel was pleasing to our ears."

Eban ruling may take time: Barak

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Now that the file on MK Abba Eban's foreign currency accounts is in the hands of the Attorney General, Prof. Aharon Barak, it is possible to make a decision on the case — but the investigation will probably take some time, Professor Barak told *The Jerusalem Post* last night.

The file, which was forwarded to Barak by the Treasury on Tuesday, contains findings concerning Eban's accounts, including analyses of the facts revealed in the course of the investigation.

Benefits from tax reform have eroded by 12% since 1975

By SHLOMO MAOZ
Jerusalem Post Economic Reporter

The benefits citizens reaped in 1975 as a result of the income tax reform have eroded by 12.13 per cent, an internal Treasury study shows.

The study concludes that since tax brackets are linked by only 70 per cent to the cost-of-living index, citizens pay higher taxes on their real income now than they did in 1975. Thus, if persons with incomes up to \$14,000 were taxed 25 per cent of their income in 1975, this tax bracket applies now to persons with incomes of \$14,810 in 1976 prices.

The Treasury has raised tax brackets three times since 1975. But linking the rises to only 70 per cent of the cost-of-living index, the 25 per cent tax bracket now applies to incomes of \$14,810 while it should apply to incomes of up to \$14,713 a month if the tax brackets kept pace with prices.

Insurance firms urged to go public

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Savings and Insurance Commissioner Ben-Ami Zukerman yesterday called on the private insurance companies to go public and raise cash by sale of shares on the stock exchange.

Speaking to a national conference of insurance salesmen in Jerusalem, Zukerman said that besides raising capital the insurance companies would help the economy by offering a savings option in sale of their shares on the open market.

Zukerman also suggested that the insurers encourage foreign insurance companies to buy shares and bonds in local companies. This, he said, would help redress the adverse balance between Israeli insurers and foreign companies. At the moment foreign firms underwrite more Israeli insurance companies than Israeli companies do their counterparts abroad.

Prof. Zeev Neuman, head of the Tel Aviv University business administration faculty, said that Israel still lags behind developed countries in the percentage of insurance sales. Only 8 per cent of Israel's GNP is insured, as compared with 14 per cent in the U.S., Neuman said.

Canadian army group arrives

A group of 46 senior military officers and civilian government officials from the National Defence College of Canada arrived yesterday for a four-day stay. The group, led by Rear Admiral C.W. Ross includes members of the U.S., Britain and Australia, as well as Canadian nationals. They will meet with Defence Minister Peres, Chief of Staff Mordechai Gur, and Shlomo Avineri, Director General of the Foreign Ministry.

A HOLON WOMAN, Rivka Alafi, 22, was fined \$11,500 by a Tel Aviv magistrate yesterday for attacking a policeman when she came to enquire about an arrested relative at a Jaffa police station.

POLICE FOUND more than \$11,000 in foreign currency concealed in a velvet taffi and taffili (physicist's) bag belonging to Shmuryahu Herlihy, 70, a suspected dealer in foreign currency.

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Samal DAVID (Davidi) GURON

who fell in the Yom Kippur War, will be laid to rest on Friday, June 10, 1977, at 11 a.m. in Mount Herzl Military Cemetery. A bus will leave for the funeral from the Mann Auditorium plaza at 9.15 a.m.

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member of the Trustees of the Foundation, and his family, on the passing of his beloved mother

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Postman suspected of stealing from letters

TEL AVIV (Itim). — A postman suspected of stealing money from letters was arrested yesterday and remanded into custody for 10 days by the Tel Aviv Magistrate's Court. The accused, a Holon resident, has worked at the Holon post office for three months. It is claimed he opened envelopes contained in a mail sack which was in a post office truck near the main branch, and removed dollars and Israeli pounds from 10 letters.

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Carter cancels \$4b. F-18 jet sale to Iran

NEW YORK (Reuters). — The Carter administration has ruled against the sale of 250 F-18 fighter planes to Iran. "The New York Times" said yesterday.

Quoting government sources, the newspaper said that the decision was in keeping with the administration's policy of trying to reduce U.S. arms transfers around the world.

The report said the decision against the sale to Iran meant "a potential loss of billions of dollars for the Northrop Corporation, a major defence contractor."

It said that Northrop, with support from the U.S. navy, "promoted the sale late last year of the F-18's, a land-based version of a new Navy fighter. The sale of 250 F-18's was in-

itially proposed by Iran in September, with Tehran offering to pay the cost of developing the lightweight fighter, estimated at \$250m, as a replacement for its F-4 fighter-bombers."

The newspaper said that according to Pentagon estimates, the F-18, set for delivery to Iran in the 1980s, would have cost about \$1m. per plane. The total cost for the 250 planes would have been about \$4b.

Last week, the U.S. announced that it would withhold the sale of 110 A-7 attack fighter jets to Pakistan because of Carter's new arms policy. The deal, recommended by the Pakistan air force, would have been worth more than \$700m.

French gov't to take control of Dassault aircraft firm

PARIS (Reuters). — French President Valéry Giscard d'Estaing yesterday ordered the government to take over a controlling interest in the Dassault Aircraft Company, builders of the Mirage fighter bomber.

The state will take a one-third "blocking minority" in the firm, which was founded and is still run by 64-year-old millionaire Marcel Dassault, a presidential spokesman said. The firm's Mirages have been sold to Israel, South Africa, Australia, South America and Arab nations.

It was not immediately known when the state would take over the one-third block of shares which would give it effective control of the company. The President called for the partial take-over to rationalize the French aeronautical industry, the spokesman added.

The company, which announced a

provisional net profit of 171m. francs (about IL2.2b) for last year, is developing a new plane to compete with the most sophisticated American and Soviet warplanes.

Marcel Dassault was at the centre of allegations last year that he and his various companies had been involved in huge tax frauds. The allegations, vigorously denied by the planemaker, were made by his former chief accountant, Herve de Vathaire, who has since been sentenced to four years imprisonment for embezzling 8m. francs (about IL12m.) from his employer.

A parliamentary inquiry into the French aircraft industry, begun in the wake of the de Vathaire allegations, cleared Dassault of any wrongdoing.

Dassault is on record as saying he would accept a state take-over of his aircraft company, although he would like to stay on as an adviser.

Rhodesian: Majority rule won't be one-man one-vote

SALISBURY (UPI). — In the clearest definition it has issued of what it understands by majority rule, the Rhodesian government yesterday ruled out universal suffrage and said there will be no settlement unless whites are assured government participation.

The assertion came in a speech to businessmen by Defence Minister Mark Partridge, who accused the U.S. and other Western countries of having lost the battle against Communism and having abandoned "the old ideas of good government" because of an "obsession" with universal suffrage.

Universal suffrage has emerged as one of the most vexing problems the U.S. and Britain are confronting in their current attempt to bring majority rule to Rhodesia by 1978. At least one major black nationalist group has said the issue is not negotiable and the government has indicated opposition to the demand.

Partridge said Western countries

seek "to use it (Rhodesia) as a pawn to buy the goodwill of African states" and are promoting universal suffrage "to obtain the support and the friendship of the Third World."

'Seychelles won't be Marxist'

VICTORIA, Seychelles (Reuters). — President France Albert Rene, brought to power in a coup in these Indian Ocean islands on Sunday, said yesterday his government would not be Marxist but would follow some form of socialism "which we can evolve for the Seychelles."

He also told a press conference that ousted leader James Mancham, now in London, may be recruiting mercenaries in the event of an attempted counter-coup, he said; the new government would call in help from Britain, France, America, African countries, "anybody who is prepared to help us maintain our government."



TOGETHER. — Commonwealth leaders stroll in London yesterday during lunchtime break at the Commonwealth Conference. From left to right: Secretary-General Shridath Ramphal; Archbishop Makarios of Cyprus; Britain's Prime Minister James Callaghan; and Major General Ziaur Rahman, President of Bangladesh.

(AP radiophoto)

Commonwealth hears blasts at Rhodesia

LONDON (AP). — Prime Minister James Callaghan opened an eight-day Commonwealth summit meeting yesterday with a condemnation of the "short-sightedness" of the white-minority governments in Southern Africa.

Unless white-ruled Rhodesia and South Africa changed their attitude on a transfer of power to the black majorities, Callaghan said, the "ever-increasing number who see the gun as the only means of winning freedom... will be proved right."

"The problem of Southern Africa will not go away — it will intensify," Callaghan told the opening session of the biennial conference of the 36-nation Commonwealth.

President Kenneth Kaunda of Zambia, who sat next to Callaghan at the opening meeting, spoke of the

"perilous dark shadow of armed conflict in Rhodesia and South Africa."

The more than 400 delegates began their meeting troubled by the erratic behaviour of Ugandan ruler Idi Amin and a coup in the Seychelles.

Amin, the unpredictable Ugandan president, and a delegation from the Seychelles were conspicuously absent as the leaders met in 19th-century Lancaster House, next door to the Tudor Palace of St. James.

The meeting coincides with festivities marking the 25th anniversary of Queen Elizabeth II's accession to the throne. It will deal with such issues as the fight for black-majority rule in Rhodesia, sports links with white-ruled South Africa, and a more equitable share of wealth between the world's rich and poor nations.

Kenyatta's son behind Kenya's pro-Arab swing

By ROGER MANN
The Washington Post

NAIROBI. — Last week's announcement that the Palestine Liberation Organization will soon open an office in Nairobi puts the growing tension on Kenya's move into the Arab sphere of influence.

Recalling that five Palestinians who attempted to shoot down an El Al jetliner in Nairobi last year were handed over to the Israelis by Kenyan authorities, a Western diplomat observed: "A lot sure has changed during the past year."

Although regarded as one of Israel's closest friends in Black Africa, Kenya's tilt toward the Arabs has been more apparent since the March Afro-Arab summit in Cairo.

In Cairo, Kenya's vice-president, Daniel Arap Moi, often mentioned as a leading figure in Kenya's "Israel lobby," conferred with PLO leader Yasser Arafat.

One Kenyan delegate to the Cairo summit said a lot of pressure was exerted on Kenya to identify unambiguously with the Arab cause. "It was made quite clear that if we wanted to fully exploit the potential of economic ties with the Arab world, Kenya would have to do much more than we had done so far," he said.

Perhaps the most significant move was the formation last month of the Kenya-Arab Friendship Society. Its chairman is Peter Muigai Kenyatta, the eldest son of President Jomo Kenyatta.

Peter Kenyatta, long a successful businessman, entered politics several years ago. The move coincided with an expansion of his business interests into the Arab world.

During the past two and a half years, Peter Kenyatta has quietly made his way to the Middle East, concentrating his efforts in Oman, Kuwait and the United Arab Emirates. He is presently airlifting Kenyan meat to these countries and is planning a number of other ventures.

Last November, Peter Kenyatta went public as Kenya's leading advocate of friendship with the Arabs when he hosted a well-publicized dinner for all of the Arab delegates to a UN conference here in Nairobi. Underscoring the importance to Kenya of its growing links with the Arab world, President Kenyatta last month named his son, Peter, assistant foreign minister.

Kenya desperately needs Arab markets to replace the loss of Tanzania, Zambia and Uganda, the

three leading African consumers of Kenyan goods.

When Tanzania sealed its border with Kenya earlier this year, it not only cut off Kenyan foodstuffs and manufactured items, but severed landlocked Zambia as well. In an economic shambles, Idi Amin's Uganda no longer is able to import commodities for consumers.

Kenya also wants Arab investment. Last December, the Saudi Arabian wheeler-dealer Adnan Khashoggi visited Kenya. He is reportedly interested in investing in tourism, shipping and agriculture, and Kenyan Arab orientation could speed these and a wide variety of other deals.

Kenya is virtually encircled by hostile states and is growing more politically isolated in radical Africa, where its unbridled capitalism, pro-Western sympathies and ties with Israel had made it very much the odd man out. In this context, Kenya is also simply looking for friends.

Kenya could help ease the perpetually strained relations between Kenya and her northern, Soviet-armed neighbour, Somalia. Somalia, which claims a large chunk of Kenyan territory, is a member of the Arab League.

One Arab League state with whom close ties are already well developed is Sudan. A few years ago Sudan, Africa's largest country, was remote from Kenya's consciousness, although the two share a common border.

Now, anti-Communist Sudan is the only neighbour with whom Kenya has any ideological affinity. Since attending the Cairo summit, Kenya Foreign Minister Muryua Walyaki has been busy cementing ties with other parts of the Arab world. He visited Syria, Iraq and the United Arab Emirates last month and is presently travelling to Egypt and Algeria as well as Sudan. While in Cairo, he announced that Kenya would welcome a PLO office in Nairobi.

"This is definitely a success for the Arabs. Kenya is a big prize," said a Western diplomat.

Kenya was one of the last African states to break off relations with Israel after the 1973 war and remains one of three African countries that allow an Israeli interest officer to carry on diplomatic activities. It is the only Black African state where El Al still lands.

Two official Kenyan trade missions have been to the Middle East, and increasing numbers of Kenyan businessmen continue to make private visits.

Ecevit appeals for bolts from rival parties

ISTANBUL (UPI). — Prospective Premier Bulent Ecevit ruled out a coalition government for Turkey yesterday and appealed to rival party dissidents to help him form a strong one-party administration.

"Our door is open to all deputies who wish to support the Republican People's Party and its goals of revitalizing democracy," said Ecevit, whose centre-left party captured 213 seats in the 450-member National Assembly in Sunday's parliamentary elections. "But in the circumstances we find ourselves, a more fruitful solution than a coalition must be found," he added.

Referring to his chief rival, outgoing right-wing Premier Suleyman Demirel, Ecevit said, "The Turkish nation has defeated Fascism with her votes."

Ecevit, 51, avoided burning any bridges with the arch-conservative National Salvation Party with whom, as a last resort, he might have to form a coalition.

But Ecevit hopes to avoid this by wooing the bulk of the 12 seats he needs to form a majority government from dissidents among the National Salvationists who obtained 24 seats in the poll.

After months of negotiations with Necmettin Erbakan, the Moslem leader of the National Salvationists, Ecevit, then Premier, formed a jealousy-ridden coalition with the NSP in 1974.

The coalition fell after nine months and Ecevit was sent back into the opposition.

But in his speech in Ankara yesterday, Ecevit was careful to include the NSP in his list of "the followers of democracy and the antagonists of Fascism."

Demirel, whose Justice Party came in second with 189 seats, is expected to resign when parliament convenes on Monday, and President Adnan Kozurturk is expected to ask Ecevit to form a government as leader of the largest party.

'Gays' defeated in Miami vote

MIAMI (Reuters). — The people of Miami voted by more than two to one on Tuesday to repeal a five-month-old local law banning discrimination against homosexuals in jobs, housing, and public places such as bars and hotels.

American homosexuals had poured tens of thousands of dollars into their campaign to save the law, warning that defeat here could endanger the liberties of "gay" people throughout the country and threaten a government bill in Congress.

Their opponents were led by 37-year-old singer Anita Bryant, a former "Miss Oklahoma," who declared that "she was waging the war of God's 'decent people' on the 'ungodly' homosexuals who were allegedly corrupting the youth."

With 70,000 votes, the repealers won nearly 70 per cent of voters wanted the legislation repealed. Mrs. Bryant said she would take her campaign to other cities to overturn "laws which attempt to legitimize a life-style that is both perverse and dangerous."

Moluccans free hostage, enter new talks today

ASSEN, The Netherlands. — The South Moluccan terrorists holding a hijacked train in the north of Holland yesterday released a 46-year-old man whom they said needed immediate hospitalization.

The passenger, identified as Theo J. van Hattum, was the third hostage to have been freed by the gunmen during their 17-day stand-off with Dutch authorities.

Two pregnant women were released from the train on Sunday.

Dutch officials said the terrorists called urgently for an ambulance, which drew up some 500 metres from where the train stands in a lonely countryside on a major rail link at Glimmen, 10 kms. north of here.

Van Hattum stepped off the train alone and walked a few metres before stopping. "He couldn't go any further," a justice ministry spokesman said.

A stretcher was brought up and the passenger — having walked down the rail embankment himself — was

then carried to the waiting ambulance.

Dutch officials said they were not yet aware of what was ailing the man. They believe 62 hostages now remain on the train — 34 men and 18 women.

Earlier, Premier Joop den Uyl and his cabinet had met until late Tuesday night debating whether mediators should make another attempt as public pressure mounted for a quick end to the siege of the train and a school in which four hostages are held.

Authorities said an increasing number of citizens are demanding decisive action to end the twin sieges, which began May 23. Justice Minister Andries van Agt said Sunday that if the terrorists held out much longer, the government would consider "hard action."

The gunmen will have a second round of talks today with two South Moluccan intermediaries. The meeting was wanted by both sides, the spokesman said. (AP, UPI)

Compromise anti-boycott bill passes U.S. Senate

WASHINGTON (UPI). — The Senate approved on Tuesday a compromise anti-boycott bill aimed at prohibiting Americans from refusing to do business with blacklisted firms in compliance with Arab boycott demands.

The bill, which has the support of the Administration, was sent to the House of Representatives by voice vote.

The measure, which extends the Export Administration Act until September 30, 1979, would prohibit Americans from refusing to do business with blacklisted firms and boycotted countries as a result of a foreign boycott demand.

It also would forbid Americans from discriminating against other U.S. citizens on grounds of race,

religion, sex, or national origin in compliance with a foreign boycott.

The bill would prohibit the furnishing of information about a person's race, religion, sex, or national origin when it is sought for boycott purposes and would require public disclosure of requests to comply with a boycott.

The Senate originally passed the bill on May 5 by a vote of 90-1. The House passed its version on April 20, 364-43.

The compromise retained the shorter grace period in the House bill for existing trade contracts to be brought into compliance with the new boycott restrictions. The grace period would run through the end of 1978 with an option for one additional year.

Italian Senate kills bill for referendum on abortion

ROME (Reuters). — In a close vote the Italian Senate on Tuesday night killed a controversial bill calling for a referendum on legalizing abortion. The small Radical Party, which has spearheaded the campaign, immediately called for a big pro-abortion demonstration.

The Senate whips of the pro-abortion parties called the bill's defeat a grave setback, although they promised fresh attempts to get abortion legislation through the House. The vote means they will have to wait six months at least.

The bill had been regarded as the second major battle — after the legalization of divorce — by the left and women's liberation groups against the influence of the Roman Catholic Church and the Christian Democratic Party.

Tuesday night's vote is unlikely to bring down the government — as a clash on the same issue did last year — but the possibility of an open battle between Catholics and non-Catholics could strain relations between the Christian Democrats and the left-wing parties which indirectly support the minority government.

Sex reaches Mt. Athos

SALONICA, Greece (Reuters). — A centuries-old ban on women in the area of the all-male holy community of Mount Athos was partially ended yesterday.

A Salonica court ruled that women may set foot on the shore of the peninsula of Chalcidiki where the 300-square-kms. community is situated, "without committing an offence."

"But they are banned from entering the interior of the peninsula where the holy community is located," the court said.

The Mount Athos monastic community is exclusively male. Even the chicken-coops contain only cocks, and sheep flocks are composed of rams.



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Monday, June 13
9.00 a.m. — Opening Ceremony, Israel Museum, Jerusalem
9.30 a.m. — Opening Addresses: Mr. Aharon Yadin, Minister of Education and Culture; Mr. Teddy Kollek, The Mayor of Jerusalem; Mr. Hugh Holker, World President of I.A.A.
10.45 a.m.-12.00 noon — The Conference — Why in Israel? Speaker: Eliyahu Tal, Israel
12.30 p.m. — Changing Minds, Ideas and Techniques Moderator: Jorgan Bagger, Denmark
3.30 p.m. — Speaker: Mark Stroock, U.S.A. Panelists: Dr. Winfried Bauer, Germany; Michael Strauss, Israel
10.45 a.m.-12.15 p.m. — Challenge to the Media Moderator: Reza Amini, Iran
12.30 p.m. — Speaker: Hugh Holker, England Panelists: Stuart Spitzer, U.S.A.; Erwin Frenkel, Israel
7.00 p.m. — Reception at the Tel Aviv Museum Hosted by Mr. Shlomo Lahat, the Mayor of Tel Aviv-Jaffa.
Folk Dancing presentation at Kibbutz Givat Brenner
Wednesday, June 15
9.00 a.m.-10.30 a.m. — The Adman's Dilemma Moderator: Uri Aylon, Israel
10.45 a.m.-12.15 p.m. — Speaker: James O'Connor, England Panelists: Ramona Bechtos, U.S.A.; John Crichton, U.S.A.; Bentil Kinte, Sweden
12.30 p.m.-1.30 p.m. — How Green is My Valley? Moderator: Eli Warshavsky, Israel
7.00 p.m. — Speaker: Eliyahu Tal, Israel Panelists: Noel Louis Picot, Switzerland; Coen Van Geel, Holland
12.30 p.m.-1.30 p.m. — Yoseph Lapid, Israel Fashion Show, Presented by Gottex Models Ltd.
7.00 p.m. — Dinner at the Weizmann Institute, Weizmann Institute
11.00 a.m.-12.45 p.m. — The Public — Victim or Victor? Moderator: Dr. Uri Marinov, Israel
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How the Arabs voted

VIEW FROM THE NORTH
Ya'acov Ardon

NOW that the causes, results, and long and short term implications of the Alignment's electoral defeat are beginning to be understood, the time has come to take a close look at how the Arabs voted and to reason why.

First it should be pointed out that Israel is the only country with a sizeable Arab population (close to 400,000, or nearly 13 per cent of the total) in which women have the franchise both in local and national government. Readers who may regard this as a symptom of backwardness in Arab countries, should remember that women's suffrage is of very recent origin even in the West.

The bulk of Israel's Arab population lives in the North of the country, between the Lebanese border and the "Little Triangle." About 195,000, less than 50 per cent, are of voting age. (A smaller percentage than among the Jews because of the larger number of children per Arab family.) A high proportion of the Arab electorate were young people, aged 18 to 22, for whom this was their first vote. About 145,000, or just three-quarters, went to the polls, the smallest turnout in any of the nine Knesset elections, itself a surprise that needs an explanation.

Another surprise was the relatively small gain of the Rakach-led list which won close to 80,000 votes, not only from the Arabs, but also from Jews, because the Black Panthers were part of that list. Among the Arabs it won only 47 per cent, compared with 35 per cent in the 1973 elections. Considering that Rakach "never had it so good," politically speaking, the gain was small. It added only one more seat, the fifth, to their representation in the Knesset. The Rakach leaders were frankly disappointed and are asking themselves what went wrong.

An expert on minority affairs has analysed the election results and come up with findings that deserve public attention. The Communists won Arab votes everywhere regardless of whether they were Moslem, Christian, Beduin or Circassian citizens and whether they lived in towns or villages. The larger the locality the stronger the Rakach vote. Villages with over 1,000 voters produced Rakach majorities vary-

ing from 50 to 90 per cent. Arrabeh, in Western Galilee, returned a 90 per cent vote. Nazareth, with an electorate of about 15,000, stood halfway between these extremes. It cast 70 per cent (10,500) votes for Rakach. In Shif'am, the second largest Arab community, Rakach won 80 per cent.

There is no correlation between the degree of an Arab community's social and economic development and Rakach strength. This dispels any assumption that Arabs might protest, by voting Rakach, against any wrong, real or imaginary, like a housing shortage or land expropriation. The more developed and educated the community, the higher the pro-Communist vote. Until 1973 the Communists never had any foothold among the Beduin. The Government has established villages for them and provided them with services like roads, electricity, running water, schools. Instantly the Communists scored there, winning between 15 and 47 per cent of the votes. The average pro-Communist vote among the Beduin in the North is now 23 per cent.

The same trend can be observed among the purely Druse villages. The larger the community, the more votes for the Communists. While the smaller villages gave them only 1.5 to 4 per cent of their votes, the larger ones returned 11 to 32 per cent. Except for Yerka — the home village of that renowned social-democratic, Marxist leader of the Druse, loyal ally with the Alignment for many years, Deputy Minister of Agriculture, Sheikh Jaber El Moaddi — where Rakach won a record 88 per cent vote. Where the population is mixed (Moslem, Christian and Druse), Rakach won 50 per cent and more of the total vote.

More food for thought is provided by the Christian Arab vote. While in nearby Lebanon Christian Arabs are the target for Communist, Leftist and Palestinian weapons (of Soviet origin), Christians in Israel voted extensively for Rakach, from 33 to 80 per cent. "The Good Fence" policy of help to the Lebanese Christians in

their distress created no sense of obligation to Israel among the Christians on our side of the border. They are as nationalistic and hostile to Israel as before the Lebanese civil war. The only notable exception is Tarshiha which has a joint local authority with Ma'alot. There Rakach won merely 33 per cent of the Arab vote," the analyst commented.

Rakach expected this time to double its Knesset representation to eight seats. "Rakach and the PLO ideology control the Arab street," all party officials, from right to left, agreed, with only slight differences on the extent. The party's extremist and incendiary slogan was: when the Palestinian state is set up, the Arabs of Israel will be part of it. Pressure to the extent of open threats of reprisals against them and their families frightened into silence most Arabs whose attitude to Israel was moderate or sympathetic. Many of them even abstained from voting. Every public meeting turned into a stage for anti-Israel sentiments. "In some villages police constables stayed out of sight, leaving the polling stations to Rakach activists," observers noted. "Never has there been such a retreat from sovereignty as in some of the Arab villages dominated by Rakach before and on polling day. Arafat loyalists were practically in control there. The local council leaders virtually cooperated with them. The other parties could hardly make their presence felt." The N.R.P. following (always strong among the Arabs) was cut in half. The DMC won merely 4,500 votes (mainly among Druse). Sheitl, despite its pro-Palestinian sympathies, won just over 1,000 Arab votes.

Why the small turnout? It appears that for the ultra-nationalists even Rakach was not radical enough. They urged their followers to boycott the "Zionist" elections altogether. But many more were simply too frightened to vote for any of the non-extremist lists, and stayed away.

After 29 years of steadily growing living standards, higher life expectancy, better education, national insurance and other services unheard of in Arab villages throughout the



AN ARAB voter looks out of the polling booth to seek guidance. (Werner Braun)

Middle East, the anti-Israel vote clearly demonstrates the failure of Government policy, shaped exclusively by the Alignment. No wonder. If the elections showed that the Alignment failed to assess correctly the reaction of the Jewish electorate, how much less could it be expected to understand the mentality of the Arabs. The next Government will have to study it.

MUSICAL

PIANO RECITAL BY YEFIM BRONFMAN (Tel Aviv, Museum, June 4). Bach: Toccata in D Major (Waldstein); Sonata Op. 10 in C Major (Waldstein); Gabriel Omeria: Piece for Piano; Messiaen: 5 pieces from "Vingt regards sur Jesus"; Chopin: Ballade No. 1, Op. 28 in G minor; Nocturne Op. 9, No. 2 in D flat Major; Scherzo Op. 30 in B Minor.

SINCE his last recital here, 19 year old Yefim Bronfman has made incredible progress. He opened the Bach Toccata with a powerful passage and immediately created a feeling of an inner, strongly motivated need for musical fulfilment. This driving force characterized all his playing. However the Toccata also showed that he has not yet developed an effective enough mechanism of control and balance. It did not, as a whole, give the requisite impression of wholeness and formal perfection. A certain lack of balance also characterized the first movement of the Waldstein sonata, though the execution of the first subject was highly original and personal and there were many other remarkable sections.

A professionally well set, though not very original piece by Gabriel Omeria revealed Bronfman's effectiveness in a more contemporary idiom. But the peak of the evening was undoubtedly the young pianist's interpretation of Messiaen's "regards." By bringing out fully and exhaustively all the richness of sound and at the same time the extra-musical imaginativeness, Bronfman established himself as a true authority on Messiaen. The facets of Bronfman's talent came to light in Chopin: temperament, bravura, virtuosity. The Ballade was again slightly unbalanced but the Nocturne, with its beautiful phrasing of the melody and its singing tone was exquisite. And the Scherzo — sweeping and sonorous — was an impressive manifestation of the grand style of piano playing. BENJAMIN BAR-AM

HAIFA ART NOTES

MIRIAM SILBERMANN'S portraits in oils and drawings in various techniques. A realist and a professional, she treats her subjects in a straightforward manner, modified only by an overtone of rough paint. This means that some portraits must be true to life, and consequently one feels that her most successful work depicts sitters either preoccupied or under a degree of psychological stress, as in 24, 28 and a third painting, all hanging together at the main entrance. (The Auditorium, Haifa.)

"ETCHINGS AND SCULPTURE" is the annual show of the Hagafen courses, the first under the guidance of S. Kastein, the second under that of T. Juster. The display of etchings is larger than last year's; but the general level, while competent, is not as high as previously. The sculpture, well cut out this time, is chiefly plaster and stone. (Hagafen Gallery, Haifa.) Till June 30.

'Smile, My Beloved Country'

By CATHERINE ROSENHEIMER

AFTER more than 400 performances of her Hebrew one-woman show "Always a Woman," Becky Freistadt is launching a similar solo evening, this time in English. She calls it "Smile, My Beloved Country" and in addition to performing here for English-speaking residents and tourists, hopes to appear abroad.

She describes the evening as "a kind of musical cabaret... during which she acts, sings and clowns her way through a medley of material, some of it well-known American 'evergreen' songs, some of it strictly 'homegrown' including skits written for her by Nissan Aloni, Kishon and others. As in her Hebrew show, she devotes part of the evening to numbers, serious and not-so, concerning the different ages and moods of a woman.

Her English is far from Oxford, and when I saw the show during rehearsal she was still having some trouble getting used to an as-yet unfamiliar vocabulary and at the same time maintaining the timing and pace of her anecdotes and jokes. In all fairness, this is a common problem to most of the Israeli-born English shows I have seen at preview stage and no doubt, like the old joke, she will succeed in "Polish-ing" up her English once the show gets under way.

Among the numbers: Becky's own, very Jewish rendering of the theme song from *Chabon* — with apologies to Lisa Minnelli, and an amusing monologue about the poor Israeli girl who never managed to get married despite all those wonderful ads in the paper. In a more serious vein are pieces, some of them already well-known: her



Becky Freistadt

reading of a mother's letter to her son in the army and extracts from "What Children think about Peace."

Israel is a funny country, remarks Becky later in the show: they managed Operation Kadesh in 24 hours, but it takes years to get a phone. It is also one full of paradoxes: every soldier is a person, and every person a soldier; none expect miracles yet they take them for granted.

It is a problem, admits Becky, to find a balance between an Israeli show for English-speaking audiences which projects our own roots and values whilst laughing at them at the same time, and yet not "schmaltz." She hopes she has succeeded, with the show booked for several months to come at ZOA House on Saturday nights.

Her finale is devoted entirely to Jerusalem, a subject — or perhaps an emotion — which she feels qualified to talk and to sing about: she is, she claims, 24th generation sabra, whose family settled in Hebron in 1409 and moved to Jerusalem, where she was born, during the Arab riots of 1929.

Without Hebrew olim remain 'strangers in their own land'

By JUDY SIEGEL
Jerusalem Post Reporter

THE VETERAN settler usually twirls his radio dial with annoyance when he happens to tune in to a news broadcast in easy Hebrew or a show in Mograbi, Hungarian or Ladino. But for the new immigrant, or for the middle-aged or elderly olim who haven't succeeded in mastering Israel's first language such radio offerings are a lifeline to the country's society.

"Olim who can't follow Hebrew become cultural cripples and strangers in their own land," asserts Shmurya Goshen, head of Israel Radio's department of immigrant programmes. Coming from Rumania himself at age 18 in 1961, Goshen was one of the lucky ones: he learned to speak fluent Hebrew in the army and a kibbutz ulpan.

The radio, he maintains, does not pay enough attention to the needs of immigrants, because it doesn't have the time or the money. Goshen has only two hours of air time on the First Programme at his disposal every day for news and features in the six languages for which he is responsible (Rumanian, Ladino, Hungarian, Yiddish, Mograbi and easy Hebrew).

"The Jewish Agency finances part of our foreign-language broadcasts

on short-wave abroad," he says, "which we air about two-and-a-half hours a day." But they do not yet contribute to our medium-wave programmes in Israel.

Appeals to the Absorption Ministry have also proved fruitless. Although the Ministry's social absorption department prides the radio for immigrant programmes and its contribution to helping olim feel at home, it says it has no money to help. (An hour of broadcast for one year costs about 11.5m.) Asked for a reaction to Goshen's criticism, a Ministry spokesman asserted that if the Broadcasting Authority really believed such programming is important, it would find the money. "Immigrants also pay the radio and TV licence fee," she added, "and shows designed for them should be produced with some of that money."

An unprecedented morning broadcast for olim on last month's election results created a sensation, says Goshen, among the non-Hebrew-speaking audience. "They didn't have to wait for the evening to learn the results in their own language."

At 34 the youngest department head in radio, Goshen dreams of starting news broadcasts in each of his assigned languages for 10 minutes every morning. The best time for the hour-long news collec-

tion would be from 6 to 7 a.m. before the listener goes to work.

"They need to start the morning with their eyes open. If they know what happened the night before in the country and around the world, they can talk to their friends in the bus about it, just like anyone else. Without news they can understand, they must hear it from their children, and that causes bitterness, and frustration," he points out.

More easy Hebrew radio programmes are needed, he says, "at least 90 minutes a day," for the beginner. For the more advanced Hebrew-speaking immigrant, Goshen is advocating the broadcasts of slow Hebrew, ideally for three or four hours a day. Forty per cent of Israel's population are unable to follow the regular Hebrew news at the speed it is read, he says. The radio's executive is now studying the suggestion.

"The 22 staffers in the department (plus free-lancers) know that their listeners depend on them," Goshen concludes. "They have a sense of mission." The immigrants' department has never gone on strike — a rarity in the radio, which has recently been beset by poor labour relations. "Most of them were immigrants themselves, and they know how it feels to be a stranger."

Basset, Spaniel and Dachshund

PETS' CORNER
Israel's Even Chen

WHAT KIND of dog makes the best pet for flat-dwellers? Let's consider the ever popular hunting breeds. These can, for our purposes, be divided into two categories: the long-legged, and the short-legged.

Among the long-legged hunting breeds the most popular is the Irish Setter, followed by the German Pointer, the Labrador Retriever, and our own native branch of the Saluki family, the Saluki. Of all the wide variety of Pointers, Setters and Retrievers, the Labrador is probably the only breed to adapt well to an urban environment.

In the short-legged hunting breeds we find some of the most popular house pets for city and suburbia. Basically these are the Beagle and the Cocker Spaniel. Currently rising in popularity in Israel are the Basset Hound and the Dachshund.

All the hunting breeds are gregarious animals, friendly and outgoing. Ideal for large families, they love children and are always ready for a romp.

As a group, the hunting breeds tend to be indiscriminate in their affections. They are not watch-dogs, but will show some sense of territorial loyalty when a stranger appears. Geographically they will bark and become excited, but show no signs of aggression.

While some are highly intelligent, as is evidenced by the popularity of the Labrador as a guide dog for the blind, poor breeding practices have ruined the majority of these breeds. The true working members — those which are bred and trained for hunting — are intelligent. But the vast majority available today are not from working stock. A dog bred purely as a pet is as sweet as he can be, but tends to lack any real intelligence. This problem can seriously hamper his training, and makes raising such an animal a difficult job.

All the hunting breeds need a great deal of exercise. The short-legged dogs need proportionately less exercise, and are therefore much easier for the urban dweller to care for correctly.

Almost all the hunting breeds, with rare exceptions, have short coats that are easy to care for. Bathing is not required more than twice or three times a year; a weekly

brushing will keep the animal in fine trim. If necessary, the ovals should be cut occasionally. If you can hear the nails clicking when the dog is walking on a hard surface, then they are too long and require attention.

Spaniels come in two major groupings — the American Cocker, and the English Cocker. The American variety has a very heavy, long coat bred for the show ring and not for the field. The Field or English Spaniel has a coat just sufficiently long to help ward off briars and brambles, and not of the extraordinary thickness found in the show dog. This makes it a much easier coat to care for, with twice weekly brushing and combing being adequate.

All dogs require and appreciate a basic obedience course. This is just as true of the smaller as the larger breeds. Both you and your dog will be happier for investing the 15 minutes a day required to teach him his manners.

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Lufthansa

Do you know what's going on at Haifa University?

* This year again, the Arab Students' Union at Haifa University asked permission to hold a mass meeting to mark the anniversary of the Six Day War. The University rejected this request, and threatened to bring in the police.

* On Sunday, June 5, 1977, from early morning, the police set up check-points at the University. Armed members of the police, in uniform and plain clothes, went onto the campus and threatened students.

* This escalation of events prompted the Union to request permission to hold a meeting in a hall; this request was also rejected.

* A little later, a few hundred Jewish and Arab students and some lecturers gathered at the entrance to one of the halls.

They protested the suppression of freedom of speech and the intervention of the police. They displayed slogans, such as:

"Solidarity of the forces of peace and progress — out with the extremist right." After half an hour they dispersed.

* At the same time, extreme right groups were forming, armed with clubs and tear gas, and supported by the police.

* The police and extreme right groups gave false, provocative information about these students to the Press.

* The police arrested members of the Students' Union; the police continued to comb this campus in a provocative way, and to threaten Arab students.

Citizens of Israel!

Even before a government of the extreme right has been formed — riots are being incited and passions inflamed against Arab students, with the protection of the police.

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Will we accept harassment of Arab students and Arab citizens?

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* To condemn the acts of intimidation and suppression, and the arrests by the Haifa police.

* To condemn the organization of gangs under the protection of the police.

* To defend freedom of expression in the universities.

* To protect the privacy privileges of the universities.

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The events at Haifa University are a danger to democracy.

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June 1977

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TEL AVIV STOCKS

Amissar offering successful

TEL AVIV. — Tuesday's declining market spilled over into yesterday's session as shares retreated in the morning. In the variables, however, signs of recovery were felt. The subscription for the Amissar offering was assured of an overwhelming success as orders poured into the security departments of the banks.

Commercial banks, as has often been the case in the past, traded counter-marketwise. Leumi and Hapoalim each added one point and were among the most active issues. Leumi Bank, after an extended rise, was eight lower at 490. The options all even harder as they declined by 10 to 384.

Mortgage banks were lower, but only moderately. Tefahot eased by 10 to 422. Ampal was a strong feature as it gained 35 to 410.

Insurance issues were mixed. Tach was unchanged at 701, but Hachshar gained 15 to 814. Salhar eased by 10 to 1,010 and Tzur lost five to 1,010. Cold Storage ILA shares were a good feature and rose by 90 to 360.

Land development and real estate issues were firm. Africe-Israel ILA shares were "buyers only" and rose 1,530. These shares represent still another instance of a thin float. With the few shares available the slightest demand is sufficient to result in a "buyers only" situation. Yisroel was even higher, at 247 but most of the shares were slightly lower.

Industrial shares were representative of the whole market. Prices eased slightly along a broad front. Since most of the industrial shares did not trade in this variables, the improved one of the afternoon session was not reflected in their prices. Electra ILA was 19 better at 497. Eiron ILA was four points lower at 630. Ata "C" shares lost four to 210. Lewin-Epstein continued to trade lower and closed at 335 after a nine-point loss. In the past we have indicated that at recent levels the shares appear to be overpriced. Nechushtan was in demand and rose by 50 to 1,105. Shemen (R) was "buyers only" and fixed at 660.

Investment companies exhibited above-average declines. Elgar gave up 14 to 376 while Eilern was losing 13 to 407. Amissar was eight lower at 790. The investment companies of the Big Three Banks traded in a range of one point in either direction. Jordan Exploration continued to improve and was 140 higher at 3,090. The options were unchanged at 2,740. Pityon continued to see-saw and was 32 lower at 630.

In spite of anticipations of a relatively high jump in the index, to be announced on the 15th, the bonds linked to it were lower and showed little sign of the recently anticipated recovery. Trading volumes continued to be paltry at less than 11.4. At current trading levels the bonds are trading at one-third of the recent one-session high of 114.2m.

The Nazid investment dollar eased by two agorot to 111.81.

Most active issues

Hapoalim (b)	321 +1.0	IL 324.100
Bank Leumi	258 +1.0	IL 781.200
Hapoalim (r)	327.8	IL 382.900
Shares traded:	11.2	IL 3.5m
Bonds:	11.2	IL 3.5m
Nazid:	111.81	IL 3.5m
Other:	111.81	IL 3.5m
Turnover:	111.81	IL 3.5m

Legal fight over Begin's old hide-out

By YITZHAK OKED
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The room in the Savoy Hotel here in which Menachem Begin hid out from the British will not be reconstructed in the near future, due to a legal fight. The room was damaged during a terrorist attack in March 1976.

Mrs. Miriam Ben-Zvi (who is in her sixties), for whom the hotel was her only means of support, now living on social security and has refused welfare aid by the Tel Aviv municipality. "All I want is a chance to make an honest living from my hotel," she told The Post.

The government's compensation fund, which handles compensation for damage caused by enemy action, had offered to pay Mrs. Ben-Zvi IL250,000. But she rejected the offer as totally inadequate.

An independent surveyor brought in by Mrs. Ben-Zvi estimated it would cost at least IL2.5m. to rebuild the hotel.

A committee of three, set up to decide the amount of compensation, has not been able to reach a decision during the year and a half it has met. One of the members of the committee, lawyer Yosef Avrahami, was only willing to tell The Post on the telephone that this was a very complicated matter and that he was not able to estimate when the hearings would end.

On March 5, 1976 terrorists took over the building. In the ensuing battle 11 people lost their lives and the top section and other parts of the hotel were wrecked.



THE SAVOY HOTEL as it looks today.

(Millman)

Despite the fact that Mrs. Ben-Zvi locks the doors and windows, even welding some doors shut, vandals manage to destroy or steal wash basins, ceramic tiles and other building materials. The family has complained to the police a number of times, but the looting continues.

To complicate matters there is another party in this legal battle. This is the Oronchick family who 40 years ago rented the hotel for key money to the Ben-Zvi family. The Oronchick family wants Mrs. Ben-Zvi either to rebuild the hotel and continue paying rent, or to forfeit her rights.

Mrs. Ben-Zvi now pays about IL700 a month rent instead of the IL3,500 a month she paid before the terrorist attack. She arrived at this sum after consulting a surveyor, but the Oronchick family says it is not enough.

The Ben-Zvi's hid Menachem Begin in one of their rooms for quite some time. When the British put a price on his head, they risked being hanged for harbouring him. Mr. Begin has remained friendly with Mrs. Ben-Zvi and has tried to help her to cut some red tape — without much success.

Inflation ceiling of 25% likely this year, bankers told

Special to The Jerusalem Post
An encouraging reduction in Israel's rate of inflation now running at 20 per cent during the first four months of the current year, gives promise of an over-all rate of about 25 per cent for the year, a Bank of Israel director told an Israel Bond delegation of American bankers on Tuesday.

Addressing the National Bankers' delegation in the board room of the bank, Dr. Meir Heth, who heads capital market operations for the bank, saw reduction in public expenditures and resumption of growth in the economy in general and exports particularly as major prescriptions for the country's economic ills.

Commenting on current proposals to involve Prof. Milton Friedman in a consultative role in Israel's economic life, Dr. Heth recalled Friedman's comments on Israel's economy, made shortly after the Nobel Prize. Israel had good economic advisers, Friedman was quoted as saying... the problem was to implement their advice.

Pushing economic growth while

keeping the lid on living standards and on wage increases are effective but unpopular policies, Dr. Heth said. Submissions made to the government two weeks ago by the governor of the Bank of Israel appeared to dovetail with the incoming government's economic inclinations, he said.

The country's three largest banks hold 92 per cent of all assets held by commercial banks, the visitors were told by Oded Messer, Examiner of Banks. In a world roster of banks, these banks rank as follows — Bank Leumi 10th, Bank Hapoalim 12th, the Israel Discount Bank 13th, he said.

He cited as a striking development in the banking field here the reduction of the number of commercial banks from 120 to 26 in the past 20 years. Today they operate over 960 branches.

Israel's economy, he told the delegation, depends to a larger extent than that of the U.S. on commercial bank services. He cited as an indicator the ratio for the two countries of Gross National Product to bank assets — 1.8 per cent for Israel and 0.6 per cent for the U.S.

Mutual funds yield 96%-146% over two years, PIA reports

By JOSEPH MORGENSTERN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Investors like to compare the results of their investments in order to determine what is the best type of portfolio. The PIA Israel Trust Management Co. Ltd. has just issued a report covering the eight mutual funds under their management. Including reinvestment of all dividends and on a two-year basis, the results ranged from gains of 96 per cent to a high of 146 per cent.

Shamir, the mutual fund almost completely made up of index-linked bonds, showed the smallest gain, namely 96 per cent. The best appreciation was achieved by Bedolach, which advanced by 146 per cent. Bedolach's portfolio consists of bonds linked to the cost-of-living index and of shares, on an almost 60/40 basis.

The funds managed by PIA rose in value in 1976 by more than one quarter and came to more than IL6 billion.

From the results achieved so far this year it appears that mutual funds whose portfolios are share-oriented will again out-perform the rest of the market.

Investments in mutual funds, as opposed to individual shares, have the advantage of spread risk, professional management, and of a liquidity not always found in other investments.

The banks managing mutual funds undertake to redeem any units on a client's request.

The game of comparing food prices

By SHLOMO MAOZ
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Agriculture Ministry yesterday published a list comparing retail food prices here with those in 15 developed countries. The Israeli prices were considerably lower. The comparison, made in March, was based on the IL40-\$1.

The statement did not mention that most of the products in the survey are subsidized and that the prices of the subsidized products have not gone up since November 1976.

Observers believe that the publication of the comparative price list now may be part of a ploy to prepare the public for major price rises after the Histadrut elections. For example, it quotes the price of frozen chicken, which is subsidized 65 per cent, eggs 34 per cent, milk 60 per cent, cooking oil 35 per cent and bread 55 per cent. Dried onions, cucumbers, tomatoes, carrots and potatoes are also subsidized.

The comparison by the Agriculture Ministry does not take into consideration the average wage in Israel, which is lower than that of most developed countries.

More electricity used during sharav

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — Electricity consumption rose sharply during the recent sharav, and reached a record level of 1,700 megawatts on Monday. The jump was caused by intensive irrigation and the use of air-conditioners, the director of the Electric Corporation's statistics department, Shmuel Riten, said yesterday.

He said the load was 15 per cent higher than during the same period last year, and seven per cent higher than that of the previous summer record, last July. The average demand is around 1,550 megawatts.

He noted that during the past week consumption was 250 megawatts higher than during the previous fortnight, and that it equalled the record consumption during the winter, when heating stoves are turned high.

The Corporation has an installed capacity of 2,181 megawatts, including 341 megawatts produced by gas turbines, which are used as emergency standbys. The gas turbines, which are much more expensive to operate, had to be pressed into service during the sharav to cope with demand.

Swissair 30 years in Israel

TEL AVIV. — One of the first foreign airlines to have started scheduled service to Israel, Swissair yesterday observed the 30th anniversary of its operations here with a special 45-minute flight over the country.

Guests of honour on the flight were 150 high school pupils, selected by the municipality — most of them having their first ride in jet plane. They were welcomed on board the Swissair DC-10 at Ben-Gurion Airport by three of the company's senior vice-presidents, Emili Koch, Hans Schneider and Werner Seiler, who came here specially for the anniversary, and the general manager for Israel, Bruno Greif.

When the airline opened its Israel run in 1947 as a single weekly flight by a DC-4, Lod was one of Swissair's few destinations outside its own country.

"We've been with you from the beginning," Koch told a press conference yesterday. "It's more than a routine interest, for the Swiss people closely follow your struggle and your almost incredible success."

Swissair's constantly growing traffic with Israel — last year it transported 108,000 passengers, compared to 2,500 in 1947 — has not affected its relations with Arab countries. Of the line's 11 new offices, opened throughout the world last year, five were in Arab countries — Algeria, Jordan, Kuwait, Saudi Arabia and Abu Dhabi.

Bookings up at Air France

TEL AVIV. — Air France expects to increase its traffic to and from Israel by 50 per cent this year, Michael Pollakoff, the company's newly-appointed managing director for Israel, told reporters here yesterday. Ever-increasing numbers of Frenchmen are "discovering" Israel, Pollakoff said.

In recognition of the significance of its Tel Aviv operations, the office here will become the third (in the world) to be equipped with a fully-automatic ticket printing unit — linked directly to the company's computer-centre in France.

There are only two other prototypes of this machine in operation. One is at the Air France main office in Paris and the other is about to be installed in the London office.

Air France flights in and out of the country currently average a 60 per cent occupancy rate. Air France was the first foreign airline to use Israel as a true transit point on its route to the Far East. Unlike other foreign carriers, it never disrupted this service.

COINS AND MEDALS

By JOSEPH MORGENSTERN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The market for gold coins was relatively inactive in the past fortnight. The centre of interest in the coin market has switched to the silver commemorative coins. This area of trading has been relatively dormant for more than a year and collectors have been busy rounding out their collections. This month-long trend of rising prices has seen some of the issues go up by as much as 50 per cent.

Some of our readers have criticized the lack of conformity in the prices of gold coins and medals reported in various publications. The criticism is well taken, because there is no organization, like the stock exchange, which regulates the trading of coins. As a result prices are obtained from dealers. These have been known to report prices much higher than those actually paid since their commercial interest is overriding and accuracy has a tendency to suffer.

	IL	\$		IL	\$
Herzl	5,000	555	Jerusalem	3,900	435
Weizmann	9,000	1,000	Rothschild	4,900	545
Bank of Israel	9,100	1,010	Balfour	6,900	765
Bank of Israel	48,000	5,350	El Al	8,900	990
Victory	6,800	755	Keren Hayesod	10,800	1,200
Jerusalem	4,000	445	Liberation	12,800	1,425
Shalom	3,800	425	Outst. Worker	36,000	4,000
Let My People Go	3,800	425	25th Anniv. Plat.	2,500	280
25th Anniversary	5,200	575	Rubinstein	5,200	580
Ben-Gurion	2,300	255	Technion	6,400	710
Bonds	2,000	225	Diamond	4,500	500
Bar Mitzva	3,400	375	Harp	45,000	5,000
Crusaders	2,600	290	Entebbe	3,800	425
Massada	4,900	545			

Breeding chickens in South Korea

TEL AVIV. — The Poultry Breeders Association has set up a farm in South Korea to breed the Anak broiler and layer chickens.

The farm was built in partnership with a South Korean investor who bought the land, built the chicken

coops and is in charge of the enterprise. The Association is to supply know-how and high-quality breeding chickens.

The South Korean farm will supply fertilized eggs and chicks to countries in the Far East.

WALL STREET

Investors hunt bargains

NEW YORK (AP). — The stock market moved upward yesterday in what analysts said showed evidence of some bargain hunting by investors.

The Dow Jones average of 30 industrial stocks was up four points

half an hour before the close. Gainers outnumbered losers by more than 2 to 1 among issues on the New York Stock exchange.

Brokers saw the upswing as the continuation of a technical rally which started late Tuesday.

ASA Ltd.	18%	Fair Cam	27%	Mobil	66
Am Motors	4	Ford	56%	Monasato	70%
Amer. T & T	63%	Gen Dynam	81%	NCR	37%
AU Rich	57%	Gen Foods	34%	Oce Pet	27%
Avco	67%	Gen Motors	67%	Pan Am	4%
Avon	49%	Gen Tel	32	Phil Pet	57%
Bell How	30%	Gen Tire	27%	Polaroid	30
Beth St	32%	Gillette	26%	RCA corp.	31%
Boring	56%	Grace	29%	Royal Dutch	59
Brist My	31%	Gulf West	14	Sears Roe	59%
Burroughs	59	Gulf Oil	27%	Singer	32%
CBS Inc.	58%	Honeywell	52	Sony	8%
Clarence	47%	IBM	29	Sperry Rand	84%
Chase Man	32%	Int Paper	82%	Teledyne	85
Chrysler	18%	Int. T & T	34%	Texasaco	26%
Coca Cola	57%	John John	68%	Texas Ins	90%
Con Ed	22%	LTV	9%	TWA	10%
Crown Zell	36%	Lockheed	13%	Twent Cent	20%
Curtis Wri	18%	Macy	36%	U.S. Steel	43%
Dow Chem	34%	McDon-Doug	23%	West Union	17%
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DM	1.7185/87	per \$
DM	2.3600/10	per \$
Swiss Fr.	2.4910/20	per \$
Lire	885.30/45	per \$
Belgian Fr.	36.08/09	per \$
Dutch Fl.	2.4705/20	per \$
Yen	274.80/90	per \$
French Fr.	4.9453/63	per \$
Danish Kr.	6.0380/85	per \$
Swedish Kr.	4.4148/53	per \$
Norwegian Kr.	5.2695/05	per \$
Gold price:	\$142.40/2.90	

FORWARD RATES:	1 Mon.	3 Mos.	6 Mos.
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Chasing formulas

TODAY, the leaders of the Likud and the DMC are due to resume the coalition talks started, and almost immediately broken off, on Tuesday.

There was good reason for Mr. Begin to decide that he needed to consult his Likud colleagues on the foreign policy and security memorandum submitted by the DMC delegation. For while it is true that the document represents, in Prof. Yadin's words, "a large step towards the Likud," it also reveals a large measure of divergence between the two parties on one fundamental issue.

That issue, as expected, involves the territories. The Likud's original "guidelines" for the coalition talks are eloquently silent on any possibility of territorial compromise even in return for fully-fledged peace. This is understood to reflect the pre-election stand of the Likud, which appeared to allow for some concessions in Sinai and in the Golan too, but for none in Judea and Samaria. The DMC's counter-guidelines, in a gesture of goodwill, avoid mention of any specific territories which might, in satisfactory circumstances, be vacated by Israel. Yet they leave no doubt that in the DMC's view Israel should be prepared to bargain away large parts of Judea and Samaria.

Although the main door seems to remain closed to any notion of giving up "the heartland of Israel," the idea is allowed, in the DMC version, to creep back through the rear window, as it were.

Thus the DMC takes no exception to the Likud's proposal that the quest for peace be declared the chief concern of the Begin government. But it suggests that a durable peace should make Israel securely independent "as a democratic and free Jewish state." The relevance of such a statement to the final disposition of the heavily Arab-populated West Bank (and probably the Gaza Strip as well) hardly requires comment.

The DMC also agrees with the Likud that the right of the Jewish people to the Land of Israel is eternal and inalienable. But it perceives no conflict between the assertion of this right and the explicit basing of peace negotiations on territorial compromise — meaning, obviously, in Judea and Samaria as well as in Sinai and the Golan.

With regard to new settlements "on the territory of the homeland," the Likud would make their establishment anywhere subject only to cabinet approval. The DMC, however, seeks a virtual power of veto over any settlement beyond the "green line" which may be planned for any area outside the strategic Jordan Valley and Rafiah Approaches.

These variations alone between the two texts warrant the reported complaint of a member of the Likud's Herut faction that the DMC is trying to dictate terms to the election victor. More than one Liberal spokesman, however, has already voiced the hope that the remaining differences could still be ironed out — the Liberals, as everyone knows, are only too eager to have the DMC in the coalition, if only as a counter-weight to the Herut die-hards.

Words conjure wonderful tricks, at times. A neatly phrased ambiguity on the territories may, therefore, yet be worked out which would leave everybody more or less content, and thus help into being a broad coalition, including the DMC. The question is whether it would serve as an effective formula for peace negotiations by anyone outside this country.

Bitter coffee

THE PRICE of coffee beans on the world market has shot up in the last two years from \$700 a ton to \$7,000. The peak was in April. In May there was a drop to \$5,900. Is this a cause for rejoicing?

Not, in all probability, for the next several months. There is a lag in the trade. The canned coffee sold today was made from beans bought half-a-year ago. The lower cost of imports now will filter through to the customer when old stocks run out.

This is the system adopted by the price-fixing authorities in Israel — to make sure that the price of the end-product as sold to the customer is based on the price of the raw materials used. It is a popular system when the cost of the materials is going up, less popular when it is going down.

The price rose so sharply owing to a chance concatenation of events. Two years ago there occurred at one and the same time a ruinous frost in Brazil, an earthquake in Guatemala, a war in Angola, and an outbreak of destructive zeal by President Idi Amin in Uganda. (His expulsion of the Asians did untold damage to his country's coffee trade.)

Prices will go down again as output in the world recovers. But the days of the cheap breakfast cup are probably over. The countries producing primary commodities, most of them (including all the States mentioned above) members of the Third World, have long been pressing for the creation of stabilised marketing arrangements, backed by support funds. Controls, in short, are increasingly replacing the traditional free-market mechanism of supply and demand.

Does that mean that controls are necessary inside Israel too? They may be needed when tariffs are high on competing imports. Otherwise the local manufacturers could rig the market. But the customs on a tin of coffee is less than 10 per cent. Perhaps it would be simpler to abolish this modest remaining duty — and abolish the price control with it.

Fixing prices is a bureaucratic business, accompanied by a lot of wrangling over production costs and profit margins. Government officials could be more usefully employed in making certain that competition exists, and is seen to exist. Prices will settle at their proper level when the manufacturer is free to raise them — but dares not do so, for fear the importers would undercut him.

CHANCELLOR Bruno Kreisky seems to have everything that Yitzhak Rabin didn't have — both the virtues and the faults. That is why, no doubt, he is such a superb politician, and such an erratic statesman.

Why should I be reminded of Rabin while watching Kreisky jostling it over Parliament here last week? Perhaps because one observed Rabin for over three years from our own Knesset gallery, always feeling a certain pity for his painful lack of parliamentary aplomb. He looked so ill-at-ease with the cut and thrust of politics; he seemed to squirm in his seat, eyes darting about uncomfortably, even suspiciously.

Watching Kreisky perform brings to mind yet another prime minister — Churchill. Kreisky seems almost to deliberately emulate the British leader in his later years: the same stoop of the stately, portly figure, the same fish-eyed yet alert perusal of the party benches, the same confidence and control.

At the door of the Chamber, he shakes hands gravely, and grunts at my immediately-regretted "Shalom." (It just came out, unintentionally. After all, he is so very Jewish in his looks, in his mannerisms, Kreisky is. He reminds me of my wife's friendly but pompous uncle Siggi. The day before, I had slipped easily into conversation with him, as though he were uncle Siggi.)

He walks off alone, down the long, mock-Grecian colonnaded corridor, head down, hands behind his back, Churchill for all the world, despite his curly, shiny hair, still blond at 67.

In the Chamber, there is an unmistakable love of Parliament about his every movement. He glides slowly and easily from bench to bench among his followers, who leap to their feet at his approach; he deals out handshakes, smiles, arm-squeezes, confidential whispers. He appears oblivious of the zoomed television camera relaying his every movement to adoring viewers. But the recipients of the smiles and squeezes are not, and they are all the more grateful for them.

HE IS WEATHERING — though an outsider would never know it — one of the most awkward moments of his seven years in office. He has just fired his Defence

Stopping off in the Austrian capital, diplomatic correspondent DAVID LANDAU takes time out to meet

Chancellor BRUNO KREISKY and his new Defence Minister (formerly Interior Minister) OTTO ROESCH.

Appointments in Vienna



Chancellor Bruno Kreisky

(Letter Millman)

Minister, a famed General, over a scandal involving the attempted sale of ammunition to Syria. (Neutral Austria bars itself and its citizens from selling arms to conflict areas.)

A major Opposition onslaught can be expected in the hours ahead. But Kreisky is utterly unperturbed; his absolute majority is assured. He himself is Acting Defence Minister for the moment. Any motion of no-confidence in him will be contemptuously defeated, and only highlight the Opposition's ineffectuality.

A leader who is a superb politician must, of course, have not only Parliament eating out of his hand, but also the people.

One way in which Kreisky does this is by taking a leisurely breakfast at home every day and answering the telephone (his number is in the book) to anyone who wants to discuss anything with the Bundeskanzler.

Another is the weekly press conference.

This is an informal meeting between the Cabinet Ministers and the press, immediately after the Tuesday morning Cabinet meeting. The newsmen are never kept waiting very long; the Cabinet rarely sits for longer than half an hour, all the decisions having in effect been taken the evening before by a broader Socialist Party forum. (Such are the luxuries of one-party government.)

The press conference is unique in the world and was invented by Kreisky, say Austrian officials. One can readily see why. While the other Ministers hang around like wallflowers, the mediagenic and reporters flock round the Chancellor, inundating him with questions, which he fields with wit and skill. He has something quotable to say about almost

anything anyone cares to raise — to the delight of the headline-writers of the local papers.

After a while, the other Ministers side out. "Don't worry about them," an official explains. "They know they're Ministers in Kreisky's cabinet."

ONE MAN who is comfortable enough with this situation is Otto Roesch, the new Defence Minister. For seven years, he was Interior Minister.

"I prefer not talking about things — but getting on and doing them," he told me in his grand office at the Interior Ministry.

He made the remark in connection with the transit of Soviet Jewish emigrants through Vienna, which had been his direct responsibility until now. (His handling of it has earned him the warm plaudits of Israeli officials here.)

He was at pains to demonstrate how he had been right, and the Israelis wrong, over the train hijack in September, 1973; how everything had worked out for the best — despite the criticism that was levelled at him at the time for ostensibly caving in to the terrorists.

He seemed to want to talk through again, with an Israeli journalist, to re-live those hours of drama.

"Israeli Ambassador Patai was sitting in that chair there, was here. He said..."

Roesch became visibly agitated as he recalled that tense and violent conversation. "But we became firm friends as a result of it, and we still correspond regularly."

"Did he tell you about his handshake with one of the kidnappers of the OPEC Ministers? A local newsmen asked me later, cynically, but without malice. 'That and the train hijack were the highpoints of his career.'"

Roesch had indeed volunteered a blow-by-blow account of the kidnapping in December, 1973. Again, he took pains to explain an Israeli why force does not always pay in such cases, while calm negotiation sometimes does. "We acted in the shadow of Munich. There they used force, and the result was a disaster. At two weeks later the killers were free anyway."

"Israel's action at Entebbe was only understandable, as I see for a country at war. Even the work of Dr. Burg told me, 'Go worked overtime at Entebbe.'"

HIS "BASIC PHILOSOPHY" Interior Minister, said Roesch, has been "to strike a balance between the demands of security and the interests of a free society. Identity cards, spot checks, guard everywhere — these are things that you Israelis have to suffer because you are in a state of war."

Nevertheless, there was a comfortable feeling of security among the Israeli diplomatic colony here and among those involved with Soviet Jewish emigration, during Roesch's stewardship at the Interior Ministry.

"I have heard," he says with obvious pleasure, "that I am thought of by some Israelis. But assure you that my policy, Interior Minister was the policy; the Government as a whole, as will certainly continue."

READERS' LETTERS

THE SECOND COMING

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — I am an Israeli Protestant who has been meditating in Jerusalem for 15 years, with his Bible in his hands, on the eschatological acceleration of our history.

I feel that President Carter, who is no "Sunday Christian," will find all the answers to the problems which have been plaguing the Middle East if he opens his Bible. Of course, this would demand that he act and govern, not according to the classical rules of the Realpolitik of Machiavelli and Metternich, but according to the clear revelations of the Holy Scriptures. For instance, that God himself is gathering the Jewish people "from the four corners of the earth" into their country, rebuilding the destroyed cities, and making the desert bloom.

In chapter 34 of the Book of Isaiah, the Prophet predicts that the oil country in the Middle East will group in everlasting flames. Revelation (17, 18) prophesies the fall of our bloody, mercenary civilization and

the ruin of the only big ships on the seas — the oil tankers.

In Luke (21), Jesus himself predicts the reunification of Jerusalem and the end of the period when the nations rule Jerusalem. In this chapter, Jesus clearly says that the generation which witnesses these signs will see the Second Coming, when the Son of Man will judge the nations as King of Israel and King of Kings.

As a believing Christian, President Carter must know that all the forces which oppose the survival of Messianic Israel are in fact opposing, in its geopolitical context, Christ's Second Coming and will be judged accordingly. The huge alliance against Israel is led by Gog from the country of Magog (whose capital the Prophet Ezekiel called M-S-K in biblical Hebrew) and will be destroyed by the cosmic Christ in full power and glory. Let not President Carter help Gog in any way, nor Gog's many enslaved allies.

REV. CLAUDE DUVEYNOY, Director Christian Action for Israel Jerusalem.

METER READERS

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — The other day, a new clerk from the Electric Corporation came to read our electric meter, which is inside the flat. When I asked him for his identification papers from the Corporation, he replied that he had none and had never been asked for them.

I let him in after he had shown me his batch of consumer cards, but I think the Electric Corporation should provide all their employees who call on subscribers with identification documents.

ALISA KANAN

Jerusalem. The Israel Electric Corporation replies:

Our meter readers carry company credentials which they must produce upon request. The clerk in question did not behave according to our standing instructions, and we are sorry.

Had Mrs. Kanan supplied us with further details about this employee — such as the date and time of his visit — we would be able to identify him and investigate the occurrence.

Y. KIDRON, Spokesman Haifa

DEGRADING TREATMENT

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — I note with interest and dismay that the hospital doctors want more and more money. I am sure that not all Israeli hospitals are run in the same way, but let me relate my first hospital experience here when I spent eight days in the new Carmel Hospital in Haifa.

The first day I was visited by a young doctor who took my medical history. After that, not once for the whole eight days did a doctor come to visit me personally. I was never asked how I felt; I was never given instructions whether to stay in bed or not; what to eat, and what not to eat; no medication whatsoever; not a single word from any doctor. (I had a bleeding ulcer.) All that was done was the usual temperature, blood pressure and pulse readings by the nurses.

Two times during my stay, a crew of about 10 doctors, nurses and interns came around, looked at the chart, talked to each other, never to me, and left.

The doctors acted like little gods. The patients are not human beings,

just charts hanging on the side of the beds. It is degrading to say the least. I left the hospital hoping that would never have to be repeated at Carmel Hospital again, despite the wonderful physical facilities, which are probably the best in the country.

LOUIS WEINTRAUB Haifa

THE NEW IL500 NOTE

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — I have not yet seen the IL500 note, but judge from the reproduction in the press only. The designer made a "political" mistake. The face in the note is certainly not Ben Gurion's, but has greater resemblance to Mapai leader Talmi.

I have sketched Ben Gurion over 40 years and seen the change over the years. He over had the expression shown on the IL400 note. The background is the Ben Gurion Archives Building and not the Sé Boker College.

Ramat Gan.

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POSTSCRIPTS

IT IS heart-warming to be reminded by Sir Winston Churchill's official biographer, Mr. Martin Gilbert, of what the great British statesman had to say about the Jewish people.

Linking the Greeks and the Jews, Churchill said: "No two races have set such a mark upon the world... Centuries of foreign rule and indescribable, endless oppression leave them still living, active communities and forces in the modern world... Personally, I have always been on the side of both and believed in their invincible power to survive the world tides threatening their extinction."

Martin Gilbert recalled the quotation in a talk to Wizo's Rebecca Steff English-speaking group in Tel Aviv. He himself has a family connection with Wizo — his wife is a granddaughter of the late Miriam Sacher, a stalwart of the organization.

WHILE millions of Britons are paying homage to Queen Elizabeth on her Silver Jubilee the Communists are calling on people to pay homage to themselves. The People's Jubilee will take place on Sunday June 19 at London's Alexandra Palace, and comrades throughout Britain are invited.

"It's not enough to react angrily to the official Jubilee euphoria," Gordon McLeenan, CP general secretary, wrote in the Communist daily Morning Star. "The more positive and correct reaction is to organize a different kind of event, one that will give people the possibility of enjoying themselves and of coming together with thousands of others to talk about how to change things for the better."

The People's Jubilee will offer something for the children, like sports and films, and for their parents, ranging from political lectures to jazz. There will be plays, albeit with political messages, and two hours of film.

Unlike the Communists, other left groups in the country have responded to the jubilee celebrations by boycotting them or wearing lapel pins which proclaim: "Down with the Jubilee."

The Communist Party, however, seems to be ignoring the moorarchy and using the occasion as an excuse for its own festivities, an Ofms report says.

A mathematically-minded reader joins F.D.'s objections, noted in this column on June 1, to the new IL500 bank-note, though for a different reason.

It is a sound rule, he says, to build up a series of coins or bank-notes in such a manner that each is twice (or if this is impracticable, two and a half times) the amount of the preceding lower one. This was in fact tacitly acknowledged in the past by the belated issue of the 25 agora piece as a bridge between 10 and 50 ag.

In the pound range, however, the new IL500 note is five times the preceding lower value of IL100. As a result, relatively more notes are required for payments and, even worse, for change and may contribute to excessive wear and tear on our money.

We should really have, he concludes, intermediate notes of IL2, 20 and 200, just as several foreign currencies have.

R.L.

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